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**Allies Will Not Submit To
Threats And Blackmail From Italy****STRAIGHT HINT
TO MUSSOLINI**

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent

IF THE VIOLENT ANTI-BRITISH CAMPAIGN CONTINUES IN THE FASCIST PRESS, THE ALLIES MAY SHORTLY ASK ITALY FOR A PLAIN STATEMENT OF HER POSITION. THIS REQUEST WILL BE COUPLED WITH AN EQUALLY PLAIN EXPLANATION OF ALLIED VIEWS OF NEUTRALITY—OR "NON-BELLIGERENCY," AS THE ITALIANS PREFER TO CALL IT.

**Smaller, But
ALL The News**

YOUR "People" is smaller today, in company with other national Sunday newspapers.

The invasion of Norway has cut off paper supplies from Scandinavia. Some newsprint—the technical name of the paper on which "The People" is printed—and raw materials will continue to come from Canada and Newfoundland.

In spite of the restriction in space, "The People" still gives you ALL the news and its usual features.

And, in spite of the heavy increase in the cost of paper, it still costs you 2d.

To avoid waste of paper, retail newsagents will not be able to stock newspapers for which a definite order has not been placed. This comes into effect after April 28.

You can help all concerned by placing YOUR order for "The People" with your agent. Please do so this week.

**M. Reynaud
Offers An Entente
To Italy**

Paris, Saturday.

M. REYNAUD, THE FRENCH PREMIER, TODAY ASSURED THE SENATE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE THAT HE WOULD CONTINUE TO SEEK A MEDITERRANEAN ENTENTE WITH ITALY.

He recalled, says an official communiqué, that France, both before and after September 1, had informed Italy that she was ready to seek, by a friendly exchange of views, a basis on which an equitable settlement of outstanding questions could be reached.

"These overtures," the communiqué added, "had remained up till now without response, but the attitude which the Italian Government had felt obliged to adopt in no way changed the disposition of the French Government."

WITH SPAIN, TOO

In the same spirit France had tried in recent months to improve relations with Spain. Apart from all ideological considerations, a Mediterranean entente formed one of the indispensable bases of peace.

In South-East Europe the aim of the Allies, in association with Turkey, was the maintenance of peace and the independence of all countries.

As an indication of this, he cited the Allied guarantees to Rumania and Greece against aggression.

In a reference to President Roosevelt's recent speeches condemning aggression and brutal domination, M. Reynaud welcomed the "common ideals which inspire the great democracies."—Reuter and A.P.

BIG CASH
CROSSWORDS
PAGE EIGHT
TODAY'S RADIO
PAGE NINE**BRITAIN TO
TALK WITH
SOVIET**

THE British Government is prepared to discuss with Russia, in an exploratory manner, whether there is a basis for a trade agreement which takes the war situation into account.

This was the statement made in official quarters in London yesterday when it was disclosed that Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, had seen M. Maisky, the Soviet Ambassador, the previous day.

It may be assumed that any discussions on economic questions between Britain and Russia would include the matter of Soviet supplies to Germany.

Trade negotiations between Great Britain and Russia were in progress when the war began, and were continued until the Russian invasion of Finland.

"L.I.G." HINTS

HE'D TAKE

OFFICE AGAIN

Caernarvon, Saturday.

"If there is any service, great or small, which I can give to help the nation out of its tribulation and lead the world again into the paths of peace, justice and freedom, I shall give it."

Mr. Lloyd George said this at the meeting here today to celebrate his 50 years as M.P.

It is felt both in London and Paris that the continued hostility of the controlled Italian Press involves dangers too serious to ignore any longer.

Britain and France will make every effort to remove possible sources of misunderstanding with Italy in the spirit of their agreements with her.

They do not intend, however, to suffer veiled threats meekly or to submit to any kind of political blackmail—probably inspired by Hitler and designed to weaken the Allied resolve to carry the war through to complete victory.

In friendly terms and through diplomatic channels, Italy may be invited to consider the dangers to herself of intervention on Germany's behalf.

Mussolini, who has gone for a while to his villa outside Rome, is presumably weighing up the situation in his own mind this week-end.

WARLIKE PREPARATIONS

Meanwhile Italian munition factories are working night and day. One and a quarter million men have been mobilised for the army and another 5,000,000 have been warned to hold themselves in readiness for calling up.

The Italian navy has been sent to its war stations and extra troops with large supplies have gone across the Adriatic to Albania—the possible base for an attack upon Yugoslavia.

Behind the pro-German Press campaign and all these warlike preparations is the evil genius of Hitler, whose detailed plan of campaign for the immediate future—reported exclusively in "The People" last Sunday—has been frustrated by the British naval victories in the North.

I learn from reliable sources abroad that Hitler is still using every means in his power to induce Mussolini to enter the war on his side.

The German Military Mission now in Rome has, no doubt, tried to convince the Duce that Germany is now certain of victory—with the underlying suggestion that, if Italy comes in, she can "share the plunder," but that if she stays out, she can only "take the consequences."

Hitler hoped that the invasion of Norway would prove a decisive factor in influencing Mussolini's decision.

But the invasion has "misfired," and the Allied naval successes leave them with available sea power relatively greater than it was before.

For the time being, therefore, Nazi intrigue centres in the Balkans—partly with a view to counter our own diplomatic and economic pressure there and partly to impress Italy.

Hitler is increasing his terrorism in this uneasy neutral theatre. As soon as Nazi "Fifth Column" activities were exposed and strong action was taken to suppress them, he began to mass troops on the Hungarian and Yugoslav borders.

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**PACT ELUDES
NAZIS IN RUMANIA**

Bukarest, Saturday.

IT is believed that a hitch over the question of oil supplies is holding up the signing of the trade agreement between Rumania and Germany.

Germany's quota of 130,000 tons of oil a month is not being filled at present since the leading oil companies refuse to sell to Germany.

The Bukarest Ministry of Propaganda said today the agreement might be signed on Monday or Tuesday. Official reasons for the delay are not disclosed.—B.U.P.



Princess Elizabeth gave a party at Windsor Castle yesterday for her birthday. She is seen here with the King and Queen and Princess Margaret.

Allied West Front Triumph**SEVEN ENEMY
PLANES CRASH**

With the R.A.F. in France, Saturday.

BRITISH HURRICANE FIGHTERS PATROLLING THE MAGINOT LINE SHOT DOWN FOUR AND POSSIBLY FIVE GERMAN AIRCRAFT TODAY. IT WAS THE HEAVIEST DAY OF AIR BATTLE IN THE WEST SINCE THE GERMANS INVADED NORWAY.

One of our pilots was forced to land on French soil. His plane was damaged, but he was unhurt.

Two of the enemy planes crashed in France. One was a Messerschmitt 109 fighter, which was shot out of the skies almost as soon as a battle had begun between five Hurricanes and nine Messerschmitts.

The pilot jumped, but his parachute failed to open and he was killed.

In the dog-fight that followed another Messerschmitt was probably destroyed.

The other German shot down in France was a Heinkel 111 reconnaissance bomber. It was intercepted by a single Hurricane, chased into France and finally brought down after it had turned and tried to escape into Germany.

The crew of the Heinkel, which crashed near Charnay, were captured. An official communiqué issued to-night reporting these two successes also states that a second Messerschmitt 109 and another Heinkel 111 were shot down in an encounter with four Hurricanes.

It is presumed that these two came down behind the Siegfried Line.

This fight apparently took place well inside Germany. The Heinkel was being protected by three Messerschmitts when the Hurricanes attacked.

The French official communiqué also records successes by French fliers. "A German fighter and a reconnaissance plane were brought down on our territory by French fighters," it is stated.

"One of our fighters was forced to land within our lines."

—THE SEVENTH

Paris, Saturday.

It is reported that a twin-engined German plane was shot down today in Central France by anti-aircraft fire.—Reuter.

**UNKNOWN PLANE
OVER SHETLANDS**

An unidentified plane, believed hostile, flew over the north part of the Shetland Islands yesterday.

British fighters were up for a considerable time, and the plane disappeared.

No air raid warning was sounded.

**NAVY WINS NORWAY
BATTLE OF TRANSPORTS****Two Nazi Ships
Torpedoed**

BITRAIN IS WINNING THE SEA-AND-AIR BATTLE OF THE TRANSPORTS WHICH IS BEING BITTERLY FOUGHT AROUND THE COASTS OF NORWAY.

Two more German transports attempting to take supplies through the mined Skaggerak were torpedoed.

When the enemy hit back at our naval units and transports, three of their bombers were shot into the sea. We suffered no damage.

The story of the new warfare is told in an Admiralty communiqué issued last night:—

"Intermittent air attacks on our naval units and transports," it stated, "have occurred during the past two days, increasing in intensity today."

"The enemy, however, obtained no hits on either ships or transports, while three of their aircraft have been shot down and others damaged."

"News of the destruction of the third of the enemy aircraft was received in the following signal from one of H.M. ships: 'Bombed again. Have shot him down.'"

"An enemy convoy has been attacked by our submarine, two transports being hit by torpedoes."

(See also Page Three)

**2 British
Ships Sunk
Off Coast**

TWO British ships, the 5,404-ton Hawaby and the 1,000-ton coastal collier Mersey, of Goole, were sunk off the South-East Coast yesterday.

It is assumed by mines dropped by German airmen who were over the South-East Coast on Wednesday evening. Eleven of the Mersey's crew, including the captain, are missing, feared drowned. Two others died ashore.

All the Hawaby's crew of 39 got away in their boats and were landed at a south-east coast port. Four men were hurt slightly.

One man, J. Mooney, of Jarrow, said he was having a bath when there was an explosion. He and the boat's crew grabbed clothes and rushed on deck.

"There was plenty of time. In fact, the ship went down very nicely," he said.

The Hawaby's master, Capt. J. Harland, was recently awarded the O.B.E. for evading a submarine.

An explosion also sank the Mersey. She was seen from the shore and went down in three minutes. Eight men were landed, but one was dead and another died on the way to hospital.

SWISS ARMY MANOEUVRES

Berne, Saturday.

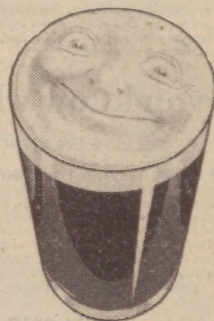
The Swiss Army held manoeuvres today in the region of Wallenstadt, near the Austrian frontier.—Reuter.

**HOME AFTER
SKAGERRAK
MINES FEAT**

AFTER braving minefields and escaping depth-charges in the Skagerrak, the British submarine Truant, which torpedoed the German cruiser Karlsruhe with 571 men aboard, has returned triumphantly home to her base.

In one of the most remarkable exploits of the war, the Truant had slowly to worm her way through an extensive minefield to where German troop transports were being escorted by cruiser and destroyers. Then she torpedoed the Karlsruhe.

The accompanying Nazi destroyers at once made concentrated attacks on the British submarine and depth-charges were dropped all around her.

**Life is brighter
after GUINNESS****—hence
the
smile**

"I have recommended Guinness for some 20 years," writes a doctor, "especially for those who return home 'dead tired' and disinclined for food." "Guinness sharpens up the appetite wonderfully," writes another. Even the taste of Guinness—so clean, fresh and invigorating—helps to bring appetite.

Have a Guinness after work and enjoy your evening meal.

The above extracts from doctors' letters are quoted by special permission.

GUINNESS IS GOOD FOR YOU

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You Will Agree That—

It's Just Mulish Meanness!

By "THE PHILOSOPHER"

"STATESMEN HAVE ONE CODE OF MAXIMS FOR PROFESSION, AND ANOTHER FOR PRACTICE," WROTE COLTON. "THEY MAKE UP THEIR CONSCIENCES AS THE NEAPOLITANS DO THEIR BEDS, WITH ONE SET OF FURNITURE FOR SHOW AND ANOTHER FOR USE."

Which goes to prove Colton did not think much of the singleness of purpose of Statesmen. He had it that their jobs made them deceitful. From recent experience I, myself, must take exception particularly to the imbecile stubbornness accompanying portfolios.

MIND YOU, IN FAIRNESS, WE CANNOT BUT ADMIT THEY START WITH A HANDICAP.

Furnished with knowledge of nothing in particular, they are expected to hop from agriculture to food, and on to postage stamps.

Yet people look to them to understand each business as if they had risen from office boys to managerial chairs.

How often they fail! In a maze of strangeness, they do things they shouldn't, and leave undone things they ought to do.

Such commission and omission are unfortunate for the public weal, but these Statesmen carry on, unmindful of protest or criticism.

Because rarely are they big enough to confess their shortcomings.

Unless you have no memory at all, you will recall our half-yearly war list of ill-conceived schemes, patchings-up and bare-faced neglect of essentials.

We needn't mention the coal and animal-food muddles, though these were black enough.

Slips of this nature, maybe, are excusable, in a war that upsets every normality of demand and supply.



MR. CHAMBERLAIN

BUT WHEN WE ARE SERVED OUT WITH SO MUCH MULISH MEANNESS AS IS GOING AROUND NOW, THE NATION IS IGNORING THE SAFETY MARK.

I again refer to the treatment of old-age pensioners, which is just a dodge aiming at making black look white.

I again refer to allowances to Service men's children that remain fractions of sums granted to evacuees.

At this stage, again I must stress the contempt I feel for the official insistence on exploded methods of evacuation of school children.

When, oh when, will our Government become wise to the folly of attempting to crowd small homes with "love-guests"?

When will they reach the wisdom of commandeering all superfluous mansions?

THESE are a few of the failings of men whose true art is to manage a nation as it ought to be in war time. Against their stubbornness I protest, not in cantankerous spirit, but with a honest desire to strengthen the home front.

In such matters generosity should flow freely, without prompting, for we are all in this life-and-death struggle, and disunity may bring disaster.

So we hope on and on for Pope's ideal:—

"Statesman, yet friend to truth! of soul sincere, In action faithful, and in honour clear, Who broke no promise, served no private end, Who gained no title, and lost no friend."

PUBLIC OPINION

A human record of how people are feeling the strain of war

MISS JONES'S OWN STORY OF HER ACTUAL EXPERIENCE

NO. 14. MISS JESSIE JONES, OF PRESTON



"Rummaging in my trunk a month ago, I found a photo I'd had taken last year. I compared my face in the mirror and thought, 'That's what war does to us, even before it really gets going.'"



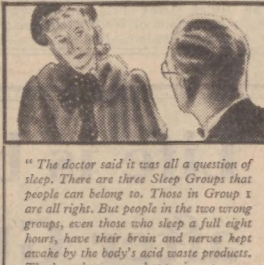
"Of course, I'd been having a hard time. I was employed at an inn and was short-staffed owing to the war. So I was rushed off my feet. I got so nervous I could have screamed."



"What with overwork and plenty of private war worries, I soon began to feel as tattered as my own grandmother. Even when I seemed to sleep well I felt tired out all day."



"So when a friend remarked how bad I looked, I just broke down. I said, 'I can't understand why it's got me like this. Other people with worries haven't gone to pieces.' She said, 'What you want is to see a doctor.'"



"The doctor said it was all a question of sleep. There are three Sleep Groups that people can belong to. Those in Group 1 are all right. But people in the two wrong groups, even those who sleep a full eight hours, have their brain and nerves kept awake by the body's acid waste products. That's what was happening to me, making me depressed, tired and all on edge with war worry. The doctor told me I needed Horlicks every bedtime."



"And now I wouldn't be without my Horlicks for anything. It's built up my nerves and bodily strength, helped me to face the war bravely. I'm still working hard and I've got energy for enjoyment, too."

Do you know which Sleep Group you belong to?

Put a tick ☐ in the square under the Group that applies to you

1st SLEEP GROUP. The people who are best fortified to stand war strain belong to this group. Their sleep is the kind that restores body, nerves and brain completely. They may spend only 5 or 6 hours in bed and yet are never handicapped by "nerves" or tiredness. ☐

2nd SLEEP GROUP. This group is made up of people who seem to sleep well enough yet find it impossible to stand up to war worry and anxiety. They get tired easily, they lack energy, feel "nervy" and run-down, can't keep their mind on things. ☐

3rd SLEEP GROUP. The people who are least able to stand war strain belong to this group. They sleep badly—can't get to sleep, lie awake at night, or wake tired in the morning. Their trouble is the same as that of people in Group 2, to an even greater degree. ☐



NOW READ WHY YOU BELONG TO THE GROUP YOU DO

IT is common knowledge that people belong to different blood groups; now scientists tell us that we also belong to different Sleep Groups. But the interesting thing is that we can change from a poor Sleep Group into a better one.

There are three of these Sleep Groups. The people in the 1st Group get the kind of sleep that restores body, nerves and brain completely, even though they sleep only a few hours. But the trouble with people in the 2nd and 3rd Sleep Groups is that their brain and nerves are kept active at night by the body's

excess acid waste products, which accumulate in the blood. Scientists, experimenting with various foods and drinks, discovered that Horlicks alone completely neutralized those excess acid waste products and gave restful, restorative 1st Group Sleep.

If you belong to the 2nd or 3rd Sleep Group, start taking Horlicks tonight and get into the 1st Sleep Group. See how soon you will recover your vitality and nervous energy, how much more cheerful and self-confident you will become.

Prices from 2/- at all chemists and grocers. Mixers 6d. and 1/-.

HORLICKS at bedtime gives you 1st Group Sleep

AS Hammer SEES IT

SUDDENLY, because Norway was invaded with the aid of treachery within, all Europe became aware last week of a new peril—the Fifth Column. Pro-Hitler-ites, led by a Norwegian named Quisling, helped in the capture of Oslo, sent out broadcast orders to troops to lay down their arms, hoisted the white flag, helped in every way, indeed, the invasion of their peaceful country by foreign thugs.

Now we have been very tolerant of pro-Hitlers in Britain. Indeed, many Britons merely grinned when one of them, who was stupidly called "Lord Haw-Haw" instead of "The Fascist Traitor," accepted a weekly wage in Germany for broadcasts intended to help the defeat of his own country.

MEANWHILE, Fascist poison is still spread all over Britain. What is Sir John Anderson doing about it?

The name of his office has been changed from Home Secretary to Minister of Home Security. But, despite this, defeatist meetings are held in London regularly, and right across the country you can read on walls chalked notices "Stop the War."

Fascists write them up in the dark!

While this goes on in England the Swedes have discovered in merchant ships in Stockholm Harbour armed Germans below deck—and Sweden fears invasion at almost any hour.

Pro-Hitlers At Home And Abroad

THEN right across the Balkans, where pro-Hitlerites have been plotting for years, the neutrals have half-forgotten their fear of Germans abroad in their sudden round-up of Germans at home.

The situation is put in amazing words in a telegram from the "Times" correspondent at Stockholm:

"Norwegians here say that it would be a mistake to think that Norwegian officers as a class are imbued with the Quisling (traitor) spirit." "Fancy having to deny that Norwegian officers, 'as a class,' are potential traitors!"

NOW I am the last man to attack the right of free speech. I have spent half my life demanding it, insisting on it.

But how on earth can we be sure that our country is safe if, all the time, behind the lines in which men are dying for our freedom, we allow licence to liars and fools who are stabbing our heroes in the back?

These defeatists can only live because on the seas, our Navy safeguards the food they eat! Yet all the time they weaken the effect of the work the Navy is doing!

But for the pro-Nazis in Britain, Hitler would never have been encouraged in his early days of power.

But for them, Ribbentrop would not have gone home to tell Public Enemy No. 1 "Britain will not fight."

That, more than anything, brought about the present war.

Personally, I still distrust all the pro-Hitlerites, all the Ribbentrops' hosts—unless they have publicly recanted!

Norway May Be A Long Job

MEANWHILE, you must not expect dramatic news from Norway. It may come. There may be stories of further British attacks on transports, more raids on Stavanger. But the truth is that Norway is one of the most difficult countries in the world in which to fight. It may take a long time.

The Germans seized the important ports, almost all of which are guarded by mountainous crags and fjords with narrow entrances.

The surprising and most heartening news is that which tells of our almost invincible victories in the air.

We feared, before the war, immeasurable air superiority from Germany,



FLORRIE FORDE

better planes, attacks by expert pilots in mass formation.

What seems to have been proved is that, while Germany has more planes, Nazidom has not produced the airmen. Flying, after all, is a sporting thing, an individual something that requires lightning decisions.

It cannot be mass-produced. "Heil, Hitler" salutes won't help it. Day after day we read of how our young airmen have flown 300 miles across the North Sea, challenged the enemy and, in nearly every case, returned safely.

Germany may have the Might, but, so far as the war has gone now, it would seem she has not produced the Men.

In France they are openly derisive. When, the other day, the Germans held up a poster, "Where are the British?" they replied, heartened by the news from Norway, "Ask Admiral Raeder."

France for the French was another German slogan. "Poland for the Poles" was the immediate reply.

Denmark Was Pacifist In Fact

NOW the answer to pacifists is the case of Denmark. It had disarmed, having indeed only 8,000 soldiers called up. It relied, instead, on a non-aggression pact with Germany only just signed.

So it was over-run in one day! The case of Norway is a lesson in what happens to anyone who will not oppose Hitler and all his works. Norway had for months let through its territorial waters the iron ore which was to bring about its own invasion.

The truth is that Hitler's gangsterdom should have been opposed from the hour of its birth. And, for equally vital reasons, Fascism of all kinds should be stopped at home.

THEN there is another great reason for optimism.

America, awakened by the threat to Holland, is now pouring in all but words. If the Dutch East Indies ever became German, her Far East interests would be threatened. If Dutch Guiana became German—well, it would mean that a foreign Power had challenged the Monroe Doctrine, the basis of United States semi-foreign policy.

The isolationism of the Middle West is now awakened by the hundreds of thousands of Scandinavians who live there.

The Americans may smile at the Swedish janitors and make comic strips of them—but they respect the Swedes. They love the Danes. They know the Finns are fine citizens. The Norwegian-born revel in the democratic institutions of America.

WAR-TIME GARDENING

WHAT TO SOW THIS WEEK

By Richard Sudell

MAKE up a rich seed bed and sow Brussels sprouts in rows six inches apart. They can be left to grow until they are about three inches high, and for this reason should be sown thinly.

They will later be planted between rows of early potatoes. Where space is limited use compact growing varieties like Perfection.

Early cauliflower and cabbage seedlings may now be planted out from the

cold frame. Give spring cabbages a tonic of sulphate of ammonia, half an ounce to a yard run of row.

Sow beetroot in rows eighteen inches apart. To save seed sow in clusters nine inches apart in the row and thin out to the largest seedling. Dell's Crimson is a good variety for salads.

Fork a little manure into the soil and sow a row of cabbage lettuce. Tom Thumb is a crisp early maturing variety and can be sown for succession.

When early potatoes appear above the soil pull a little soil over the leaves as a protection from late frosts. Parsies should be sown near the edge of the allotment where it can easily be gathered. Moss Curled is the variety to sow.

Make a further sowing of early peas: sow the seeds in a drill, spade width and three inches deep, cover with one inch of soil and stake immediately with a few bushy twigs threaded with black cotton as a protection against birds.

They are not, like the Germans, "hyphenated."

Led by a Roosevelt whose soul is as much inspired by a love of democracy as was Lincoln, the Washington administration has ordered that, except for two secrets, everything that Britain and France wants is to be supplied.

Indeed, America is now doing for the Allies what she did in the earlier days of the last war—working with enthusiasm on our side. And if Roosevelt goes, Cordell Hull, just as keen a friend of ours as is the President, will almost undoubtedly succeed him.

THEN there are other hopeful signs. In the last war we had strikes at home. Pacifism was much more powerful.

Today our trade unions are so violently anti-Hitler that if there were ever any attempt to make terms with the gangsters, they would insist on our "seeing it through."

War is an awful thing. But slavery is worse.

If the Germans ever won we should have to start all over again. There would be "Tolpuddle martyrs." There would even have to be a fight for another Magna Charta. There would be a Star Chamber. There would be martyrdom at Smithfield—and at Tyburn.

No religious body would be safe. No trade union would be allowed to function. No co-operative society would exist.

Hated would reign. Families would be divided by fear—and by spying.

Sang "Tipperary" To The End

IT was in a great ballroom in Douglas that, in 1913, I first heard "Tipperary." Florrie Forde was singing it while hundreds of couples danced.

Then, a year later, merely because George Curzon, a fellow-journalist, heard a company of British soldiers singing it as they landed in France—had he known the song, which had not come South, he might have mentioned it—it was booming to such popularity that it almost displaced the National Anthem.

Well, now, Florrie Forde has passed on... To the end she sang it, leading whole theatres in the chorus.

Big-framed, big-hearted, she always did a fine job. Even at the Water Rats' dinners it was she who could outshine them all as a turn. When her loud voice led in the old choruses—well, what are stars?

THEN Robert Hale has gone, too. He and Nelson Keys were the most versatile of all our revue artists. He had mastered, for his job, many circus tricks.

He had, in his private life, great humour and a biting cynicism. Then, do you remember how, in

"Irene," he impersonated a male dress-maker? You would have thought it would end Shishydy for ever, mock effeminacy into non-existence.

How violently anti-German Bobbie was in the last war!

Walking behind a most inoffensive citizen, he would see in him all the proofs that he was a German spy—and murmur, "German in disguise!" Only in that did Bobbie lose a sense of humour that was my constant delight.

Where Are The British Films?

NO, I have not had time to see "Gone With the Wind"—now in three West End cinemas all at once at high prices.

I cannot, I am afraid, now spend four hours in looking at Scarlett O'Hara. After all there is a war on.

I did not read the book—but then I did not read "The Good Companions." You can't mass-produce me! Why is it that, suddenly, people get so excited over something that is long? Perhaps after the war I may have more time.

Besides, we should now be making more films of our own.

I FELT so sorry for a bulldog the other night I forgot her name, although she was of lordly stock. They had taken her along because, expecting that Winston Churchill would go to the first night of the Graf Spee film, "For Freedom," a real British bulldog could welcome him.

But no Winston was running another battle—and so the poor bulldog, British to the end, laid herself down on the floor and slept.

The Way Of Dictators

IF Mussolini, forgetting how we saved the Italians at Caporetto, decides to throw in his little lot with Hitler—well, he will lose Tripoli and Libya, and be cut off from Abyssinia, which even yet is not completely conquered.

How the Italians in London hang on the news!

They were pro-Mussolini almost to a man, for years. Then they saw how his war-like aims seemed likely to plunge his people into disaster.

It is a strange world. Fancy what two dictators say, or don't say, in a railway train on the Brenner Pass being allowed to affect the future of all the peoples of Europe!

That, my friends, is Fascism!

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MYTH OF NAZI AIR MASTERY IS SHATTERED

By Our Military Correspondent

B—SWEDISH SOURCES SAY THEY NUMBER ABOUT 50,000 IN THE TRONDHIEM REGION ALONE—ARE PREPARING FOR A THRUST AGAINST NORWAY'S GERMAN INVADERS.

The announcement that French troops had landed in Norway was made in official British and French statements yesterday. The British statement from the War Office was:—"Operations in Norway are proceeding according to plan. French troops have landed and on Friday, Allied forces occupied certain points of vantage."

And the Allied expeditionary force has reached Scandinavia without the loss of a single man—an amazing achievement.

While Hitler's transports have been sunk or damaged in great numbers, our own transports have carried heavy artillery, tanks, equipment and thousands of troops over 400 miles of sea without mishap.

MYTH SHATTERED

The British Navy and the R.A.F. have guarded them from German attack. The myth of German air supremacy is completely shattered.

Now Britain, France and Norway are preparing to drive the Germans out of the strategically-important port of Trondhiem.

The Germans may find themselves caught in a pincers movement, for Swedish sources say Allied forces have landed north and south of Trondhiem.

Three Allied divisions, they say, have landed at MOLDE, fifty miles south-west of Trondhiem, and NAMSSOS, eighty miles north-east of Trondhiem. They are said to have made contact with the Norwegian forces at STEINKJÆR, about sixty miles north-east of the town. A big battle in this area seems imminent.

The Germans are believed to have about 3,200 men in this district. Elsewhere the situation is still obscure. Refugees declare that the Germans are still in Narvik, but are trapped.

Unconfirmed Swedish reports say that in the South the Germans have occupied Hamar and Elverum.

From ROEROS, near the Swedish frontier, comes a report (quoted by B.U.P.) that German bombers yesterday attacked DOMAAS, a railway junction in Central Norway.

As a "Hitler's birthday gift" he commuted death sentences passed on Norwegians since the invasion began. "German troops advancing in the mountainous country north of Oslo are being severely harassed by Norwegian guerrillas." A Nazi officer made this admission in an interview relayed from the front yesterday evening by the German radio. "Our advance is rather slow," he said.

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VIVIEN'S IN LOVE



Vivien Leigh as Scarlett O'Hara, with Clark Gable as Rhett Butler, in "Gone With the Wind."

MYSTERY Millions For The CHANCELLOR

"MYSTERY MONEY" WORTH NEARLY £20,000,000, WHICH FOR YEARS HAS LAIN IDLE IN BRITAIN'S BANKS, MAY HELP TO SWELL THE NATION'S WAR CHEST.

The greater part of this unclaimed fortune belongs to small investors who have forgotten it.

Now it is suggested that the Chancellor of the Exchequer should be given powers to borrow the money until the end of the war on the understanding that rightful claims should be paid if they turn up in the meantime.

In most cases the forgotten sums are small—but when multiplied tens of thousands of times they reach big figures.

Most of the bigger balances are left by women. An old lady deposited £600 in 21 notes with a branch bank and has not been heard of since.

Inquiries revealed that she had remained in the district only a month, and her solicitor had no idea where she had gone.

Some unclaimed money is a relic of the last war. Men from the Dominions opened accounts in this country and went to the front, leaving considerable bank balances.

Some never returned and, in many cases, all efforts to trace them or their relatives have failed.

Every year the banks add interest to these sums. According to the law they are not liable to pay out after six years, but they do in actual practice.

LATER LIGHT UP TIMES

FROM today, lighting-up time for vehicles is fixed for one hour after sunset and will end one hour before sunrise; but the black-out times are unaltered.

Drivers will thus have an extra half-hour before switching on their screened lamps. The black-out periods will no longer coincide with lighting-up times, but will extend, as now, from half an hour after sunset to half an hour before sunrise.

The Ministry of Home Security announced yesterday that, after consultation with the Air Ministry, it has been decided that it would not be safe, in present circumstances, to extend the period during which unscreened lights may be displayed.

33 PERISH IN U.S. EXPRESS DISASTER

Littlefalls, New York State, Sat. **A**T least 33 people were killed and fifty injured when the crack New York Central express, "Lakeshore Limited," jumped the lines near here.

The locomotive ploughed over the embankment and exploded. Its wreckage landed astride the adjacent highway, blocking it.

Nine of the sixteen coaches—six were telescoped—were piled up on the embankment. The victims had to be carried a quarter of a mile before they could be put in ambulances.—B.U.P.

"SCOTTIE" DIDN'T BOTHER TO PAY HIS FARE!

IN Chelmsford High-street, a Scotch terrier stood beside a crowd waiting for a bus.

The dog was alone and, after several people had got on, it jumped Scottie. The conductor tried to put him off, but the dog got "lost" between the seats.

When the bus stopped about a mile on, the dog jumped off again—and calmly walked a few yards to its home.

WE "LOVE" STRIP-TEASE

ALL this agitation over strip-tease is just so much "bunk," says Diana Raye, American strip-tease artist, who started the craze in London a couple of years ago.

"They just flock to it," she said. "The trouble is they are all hypocrites. The British must love strip-tease or they would not have paid me £200 for four weeks at the Victoria Palace."

"That," she concluded, "ain't hay. They must have liked it."—B.U.P.

ANOTHER £1,250 TO BE WON

"THE PEOPLE" CROSSWORD No. 195

THE Adjudication Committee decided that the senders of the most meritorious sets of answers to the crossword were 28 competitors who each submitted a square differing at one point only from the Committee's decision (see below). Each of these winners has been notified. Subject to the terms and conditions of the competition a cheque for £44 12s. 11d. will be sent to each.

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Germany Will Lose Still More War Supplies Soon

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

NOW THAT GERMANY'S SUPPLIES OF IRON ORE FROM SWEDEN ARE CUT OFF AN INTENSIFICATION OF THE SCREW ON OTHER SOURCES FROM WHICH GERMANY IS GETTING WAR SUPPLIES IS IN PROSPECT.

Particularly advantageous would be a tightening up of the Pacific blockade to intercept scrap from Japan and U.S. and ore from South America on the way to Vladivostok.

Plans for stopping this and other loopholes in the blockade may be among the subjects discussed in the Economic Warfare debate at the postponed secret session of Parliament. It is likely that this debate, put off through the Nazi invasion of Norway,

POLICE KEEP HIS CAMERA

AN aircraftman guarding a damaged aeroplane saw a youth take a photograph of it from a passing bus.

At Norwich, yesterday, the youth, Roger Doree, nineteen, described as of Westward-rd., Cromer, Norfolk, was fined £5 and costs for taking the picture without a permit; and the Bench ordered the police to keep his camera for three years.

Doree, who pleaded ignorance of the regulations, said he was a keen amateur photographer, and thought the picture would make an interesting addition to his collection.

may be held in the week beginning April 28. More diplomatic buying of supplies of wheat, oil and other commodities from the Balkans is wanted, so that the countries concerned will have no surplus to sell to Germany.

STOPPING ALL SUPPLIES A closer watch on the countries near and around Germany is needed to see that they do not import bigger supplies of raw materials than are genuinely needed for their own purposes.

M.P.s want the sale of scrap iron to Japan by British countries stopped. Japan has obtained large quantities from Australia and there is no guarantee that it is not being re-consigned to Germany via Vladivostok and the Trans-Siberian Railway.

On the whole M.P.s are satisfied with the way the blockade is working, and ample evidence has been received that Germany is feeling the pinch.

But it is felt that existing measures could be tightened still more, and it is to discuss the proposals which they have to make frankly with Mr. Cross, the Minister of Economic Warfare, that M.P.s want the secret session soon.

"RED" PAPERS BANNED

Canberra, Saturday. Sir Henry Gullett, Vice-President of the Council in the Australian Coalition Ministry, announced today that all Communist newspapers in Australia would cease publication within a fortnight.

"I am resolved," Sir Henry said, "that the Censorship shall treat Communist publications as enemy publications."—Reuter.

Work comes easy to them— thanks to the 30-Second Breakfast

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An analysis made at a leading dietetic laboratory shows that a bowl of Kellogg's with milk and sugar has more energy value than 3 eggs. (Bowl of Kellogg's 220-230 calories, 3 average eggs 210 calories.) That is why busy workers everywhere find the 30-second breakfast so sustaining.

NEVER "DROPS A BRICK"!

Above at work is Mr. L. Gardiner, bricklayer, of Tottenham, London. "I need a breakfast that will keep me going," says Mr. Gardiner. "At the same time I find that heavy foods don't agree with me. That's why I stick to Kellogg's—they're light and crisp, too, which is what I like. The wife says she prefers to give us Kellogg's because they're so full of energy—and she likes the time and trouble they save her, too!"

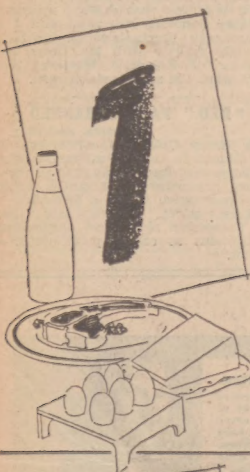
KELOGG'S FOR CRISPNESS Below you see Mrs. Wedderburn of Lambeth, South London, and her family enjoying breakfast. "It's Kellogg's, of course," says Mrs. Wedderburn. "I wouldn't be without them. They're so easy to serve—no troublesome cooking. Kellogg's are economical, too—one packet makes ten big breakfasts. And Kellogg's are so crisp! I can't imagine a more pleasant way to start the day."



ON THE KITCHEN FRONT

Which FOODS do what?

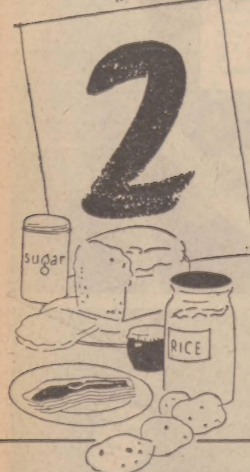
We want to make the most of our food supplies. Our health depends upon them. It is not only the amount of food that matters. We must eat the right food. If we know "which foods do what" we are able to shop wisely. Food must be varied too. Plan meals with something from each of these groups every day.



1 BODY-BUILDING FOODS

Cheese, eggs, fish, meat, milk.

For fitness and good spirits we need one of these foods every day. They build up the bodies of children and keep our own in good running repair. Milk is the most valuable of all. Cheese is one of the best repairing foods.



2 ENERGY FOODS

Bacon and ham, bread, butter or margarine, cheese, dried fruit, dripping or suet or lard, honey, oatmeal, potatoes, rice or sago, sugar.

These are the foods which keep us warm and give us the energy to do our daily work. Children, who are always on the go, need plenty of them; also men and women who do heavy manual work.



3 PROTECTIVE FOODS

IN 2 GROUPS, BOTH ESSENTIAL. CHOOSE SOMETHING FROM EACH

- (a) Milk, butter or margarine, cheese, eggs, liver, herrings or salmon (canned or fresh).
- (b) Potatoes, carrots, fruit (fresh or canned but not dried), green vegetables or salads, tomatoes, wholemeal bread.

These are the foods which keep up health and strength and which guard against illness and disease. They fall into two groups and something from each is necessary. They can largely be produced in our own Country. By making the most of them, we save space in ships, which we want for war-materials.

★ Ask your local Food Office or Education Authority where the food demonstrations are being held

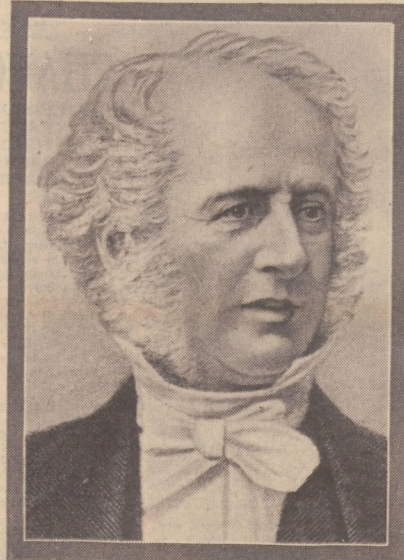
ISSUED BY THE MINISTRY OF FOOD

Vanderbilt's Golden Dynasty Founded

The "Royal Family" of the U.S.A.

IN the United States, land of colossal fortunes, no family has attained the same financial and social eminence as that of the Vanderbilts. The story of how their vast wealth was founded by a farm boy's "black-mail" of his parents is here told

By
JOHN ADDISON



THE FIRST CORNELIUS VANDERBILT

THE boy's lips were set in stubborn line as he faced his father. For he had come to a decision on which rested the whole of his future. Although he was only sixteen, he was sick of the life on his father's farm, sick especially of hauling manure across to

New York. The sea was calling. As long as he could remember, the shining waters of the Hudson had beckoned him to the outer world and adventure. Yet he hesitated. His father would miss him and there was little enough to spare now, let alone hire help.

And now he was arguing the matter out with that hard-faced father of his. On one thing the boy had made up his mind—if he did not go to sea as he threatened, he would have to be bought off.

It was nothing but blackmail of the most flagrant kind. "I'll stay at home," he said, "if you let me have a hundred dollars to buy a fast sailing boat. I'll pay the money back when I earn it."

That night the father and mother debated the boy's terms and decided to accept them. The following day the mother went to the old-fashioned clock that stood in the kitchen and drew out of its case a hundred dollars—nearly the whole of the family savings.

But the boy found the mother a tougher proposition than his father. She drove a bargain just as he did and the lad agreed that before he ploughed harrow and plant eight acres of wild, neglected land which, so far, his father had not tried to cultivate.

He had to do all this in less than a month. If he went over the contract time the deal was off. And the money

which had been shown as an earnest of the mother's intentions went back to the clock.

Early and late the boy toiled on the eight-acre lot on Staten Island. He slept at night like a log and his days were a constant fight against time.

But in him was a dour determination to see the job through, and on the day named by his mother the eight acres were cleared and sown with Indian corn.

Less than an hour after the completion of his task he was sailing the waters of the Hudson as a king. He had his own boat and in New York harbour he would pursue his destiny.

Sixty-six years later when he died he left a fortune of more than a hundred million dollars. The hundred which had been loaned him by his mother had grown and grown under the genius of his money-making mind.

For the boy who founded his colossal fortune on money extracted by a bit of family blackmail was Cornelius Vanderbilt, a man as hard as the money he made, a man of vision, of enterprise and boundless faith in himself.

Europe was in the throes of the Napoleonic terror when in 1794 young Cornelius first took the helm of his fast little boat and began his ceaseless search for cargoes and business.

Mother's Advice

He was the fourth child of the family, and he alone of the Vanderbilt brood inherited from his mother the shrewd and grim outlook on life which drove him ever onward to his golden destiny.

For that mother came of good English stock which had its roots in sound Kentish yeomanry, and her fighting qualities plus the doggedness of Vanderbilt, the stolid Dutch farmer, fitted young Cornelius admirably for the battle of the sea.

All his life until she died the mother played a big part in the success of the son. He took few decisions without first talking the matter over with her.

And when the problems got too big for him he always found the advice he needed from the stern-faced woman who had borne him.

In only one thing did the son defy the mother. That was when he was nineteen and he decided to marry. The girl of his choice, Sophia Johnson, his father's niece, was, mentally, no match for the ambitious and restless youth. Yet he stubbornly set his mind on the marriage, as he had set his mind on the boat. And he got his way. He was only nineteen when he took his bride to a little, humble farmhouse on Staten Island.

But he had no desire to go on in life as his father had done, a slave to the soil, earning a few dollars here and there, carting manure, hauling a few goods and a bit of produce when the chance offered.

Power Of Steam

There was a fire in the younger Vanderbilt which was not to be quenched. By the time he had married he had made enough out of his first boat to repay the hundred dollars to his parents and to invest in one or two more ships.

With the added responsibility of marriage—the Vanderbilts were fertile stock and soon there were children to feed and clothe—Cornelius began to extend his business field.

If New York failed to provide him with the carrying trade his soul craved—well, he argued, there were other shipping centres. And soon he was making trips to ports as far apart as Boston and Charleston, pursuing cargoes with a fierceness and speed that amazed his rivals.

His fleet grew. He became known along the American seaboard as a quick worker with an uncanny knack for getting his cargoes home ahead of other skippers and owners.

A new power was hissing its mighty way into the shipping world—steam. Its breath brought a fresh and more rapid transport, and Vanderbilt realised that the days of sail were limited.

Steam and noilers were a mystery to the man who sailed the fast schooners. Well, there was only one thing to do—he had to start learning again.

Before he sold his fleet of ships he discussed the problem with his mother, and when that far-seeing woman gave her approval he said goodbye to his white-winged craft which had served

him so well and got a job at a thousand dollars a year as captain of a steamer.

By now Cornelius, according to Staten Island, was well off. He had saved nearly ten thousand dollars—a considerable fortune for those days. To Vanderbilt it was only something to be increased, money to be used for the greater purpose of amassing real wealth, real power.

And so, despite the protests of his wife, who was already overwhelmed by child-bearing and worry, he took command of the steamer *Mouse* of the Mountain, a Thomas Gibbons boat plying between New York and New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Argued In Vain

Sophia, who altogether bore thirteen children, stormed and wept when her husband told her that the family was going to move to Brunswick. To her dull, stolid mind his desire to get on was unreasoning and foolish.

She argued that they were well off, that the schooners were doing well enough, that steamers were dirty, nasty things and that he would be happier if he stayed at Staten Island.

She argued in vain. When Cornelius Vanderbilt had set his mind on a project and when that project had the blessing of Phoebe, his mother, nothing under the sun could stay the man in his determination.

It was with real regret that Vanderbilt gave up his sailing ships—those vessels which had served him so well and in which he had spent so many crowded years. But his regret came second to his ambitions, and the family went to Brunswick.

If Cornelius had respect and reverence for his mother he had little thought for his wife. When they got to Brunswick Sophia found that her already overburdened life on the island had been one of leisure compared to the toil which now faced her.

She was put in charge of the Gibbons Hotel, which was used by the passengers of the steamship line. When she took over she found the place filthy and verminous.

She was a simple soul, no match for the rugged nature of her husband. Without murmur she scrubbed floors, cooked meals, acted as chambermaid, ran the bar, and still found time to look after the growing family.

Golden Fortune

That was how the second of two women helped to lay the foundations of the vast Vanderbilt fortune. The hotel, which had been in repute, became famed as a house of call. It made money, not only for the steamship line, but for Cornelius.

Finely dressed ladies who patronised the hotel regarded Sophia with pity. They saw her carrying out her many tasks, standing for hours a day at the kitchen stove cooking dishes which were the talk of the seaboard, sometimes working in her bare feet because her corns hurt and her legs ached.

Cornelius went his way studying the mysteries of the new ships. "There's money in steam," he said. "Sails are all right, but boilers are better."

The day arrived when Cornelius had learned all that he wanted to know about steamships and the running of a steamship line.

Once again he went to see his ageing mother at her home on Staten Island. This time the problem he put up to her was bigger even than that concerning the disposal of his sailing ships—none other than the founding of the Vanderbilt Line of steamships.

Once again Phoebe eyed this go-ahead son of hers with quiet pride. Once again she nodded her approval. That was all Cornelius needed. Poor Sophia, slaving away at the hotel and making money for the Vanderbilt purse, was not consulted.

In vain she protested against the decision to leave the hotel and go to live in New York, where Cornelius had decided to make his headquarters. Soon she, eight daughters and one son, were installed in a house which was too small for them.

Cornelius was too busy to worry about the woes of his family. He was engaged in one of the biggest battles of his life—a bid for supremacy in the steam shipping world of the busy Hudson river.

One by one new vessels were added to his fleet. Cornelius travelled around, fixing new contracts, still searching for those cargoes so dear to his heart, still

pursuing the golden phantom, still shrewd and calculating, and ever, with the passing of the years and the slow growth of his power, becoming harder and harder.

Sophia, left alone for long spells with the children, aired her dislike of New York so loudly that for once in a while she got her own way. He built her a house on the island near to the farm where he had spent the days of his boyhood.

When in 1853, 43 years after he had sailed his first boat on the Hudson, Cornelius took stock of his possessions, he found that he was worth twelve million dollars. The hundred dollars from the old clock had been multiplied a hundred and twenty thousand times!

Money poured into the Vanderbilt coffers in an unbroken stream. In the early sixties the one son of the shipping Midas, William Henry, who had become interested in the management of railways, persuaded his father to take an interest, too, in this form of transport.

The great shining ribbons of steel were thrusting their way throughout the length and breadth of America. Steam had conquered the land as well as the sea.

And so the Commodore went into railways. He put his millions into the New York Central Line, gambled with other railway stock, and piled up many more millions.

The world waited with bated breath when the Commodore lay dying. He passed away early in January, 1877, and today?

the world continued to wait—for his will.

To his son William Henry the old man left ninety million dollars, and directed that the money should be kept together and that the New York Central railway should remain in the control of the Vanderbilts.

Five more millions were left to William Henry's eldest son. The remaining ten millions were shared by Sophie and the daughters.

Social Prestige

Today the tough spirit of the Commodore lives on. The Central is still a Vanderbilt railroad. For seventy-five years his immense fortune has remained in that property, and for the same period of time the social prestige of the Vanderbilts has been steadily growing.

Ever since the old man died the Vanderbilts have been "news." The family, climbing steadily, and backed by the wealth for which Sophie toiled so hard and for which Cornelius fought all his hard and bitter life, is now among the first in world affairs.

There are branches among the first sportsmen in the world; there are direct links with the English peerage; and there are figures who dominate the cream of American Society.

I wonder what the old man would think about it all if he were alive today?

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NAVY STARTS THE

NAZI
CRACK-UP!By Lieut.-Commander
E. KEBLE CHATTERTON

"THANK God we have a Navy!" Throughout the past week this salutation among friends has well expressed that quiet, determined assurance with which we are meeting the latest crisis.

But likewise we have been able to remind ourselves of an obvious truth too frequently forgotten—that as an island nation we depend on maritime strength for our protection in the same manner that some ancient castle depended always on its ramparts.

And if today there were no "fleet in being," how could we have slept in our beds last night? How could we be certain that morning would not reveal enemy troops marching up the street? Curious is our tendency, when lulled by peace, to lay aside lessons of the past. Only a few years ago we had foolishly permitted a perilously parsimonious policy to begin weakening our Sea Service.

Expenditure was cut down to ridiculous limits, shortage of shells and stores was accepted calmly, naval exercises lost the value of reality by restriction of everything, inclusive of fuel, and destroyers were forbidden to exceed 15 knots.

No Mistaking
INTENTIONS

Worse still, our building of big ships threatened to become one of the lost arts, while naval construction yards had to close down and thousands of skilled workers were thrown out of employment.

Then, suddenly, Mussolini and Hitler each in turn provided the necessary reminder, and the Royal Navy began to regain its rightful power.

If it was too late to chasten the Duce's ambitions in Ethiopia, at least our Mediterranean Fleet, by its concentration at Alexandria, showed that it possessed ability to close the Suez Canal to Italian steamers and to preserve safety in the Middle Sea for British commerce.

There could be no mistaking our intention now, even when presently the Spanish Civil War suggested serious international sequelae, and Germany hurriedly began vast preparations for domination by land and air.

Then, late but not too late, by a wonderful co-operation throughout the United Kingdom, older battleships were reconstructed into modern units, newer and better ones launched; aircraft car-

riers, cruisers, and destroyers multiplied, and the flow of stores transformed into a ceaseless cascade.

Thus neither this morning, nor any other day, could the Nazis surprise by invasion either London, Liverpool, or whatever city you like to mention: for the fate which came to Oslo will always be denied by our sea strength from reaching Great Britain.

Never within our lifetime has there been such a week as this for demonstrating the truth of an ancient principle.

Keep then the sea that is the wall of England, and then is England kept by God's hand," wrote an Englishman five hundred years ago. History goes on repeating itself by presenting the same problems, but in fresh forms.

At present transports are steaming across the North Sea to Norway solely because the Nazi Navy has neither the strength nor the will to sally forth.

'Achieved By
TREACHERY

We are fighting on the Scandinavians' behalf just as a generation ago we bled for Belgium. But imagine what would be the world's future fate had we not maintained our Fleet on the top line, which means personnel no less than material.

If our Navy were wiped out, or even as seriously maimed as the Nazi Navy today, then everything would collapse.

Those key positions of Dover, Gibraltar, and Aden's Straits would cease to be within our grasp, the Suez Canal be shut against us, the road to

India blocked, East and South Africa at the mercy of our enemies, Australia and New Zealand ripe for surrender, Canada and the United States looking to each other with nervousness.

Thank God the Duce and Fuehrer warned us in time!

If then the Navy has once again stepped into the breach, what is the present position? How, in plain terms, do we stand?

We can well afford to admit that by a combination of subtle treachery and a lightning effort Germany achieved in Denmark not merely meadows and moorland, pastures and fields for corn, but quite a number of useful harbours with their cranes, quays, basins, piers, and in some cases dry docks where transports and warships could be repaired.

Vessels up to 23 ft draught, and more, find plenty of accommodation. Normally in Svendborg, for example, as much as 250,000 gallons of oil and 4,000 tons of coal are available.

In Copenhagen, deep enough for the biggest liners, there is a pipe-line which provides as much as 450 tons of oil an hour.

On the other hand, not another drop can replenish this supply, which will last out till the end of July, but no longer. It is reckoned that Germany will also have enriched herself by £13 millions from Denmark's banks and £19 millions from Norway's. Total £32,000,000. But this will not help the Nazis much, seeing that the war is costing them £8,000,000 every time the sun sets. It pays the bill for only four days.

By the end of summer, Denmark's larger will be well nigh empty. Nothing can be imported, nothing exported—except from and to Germany, either by land or air.

For, by one of the most brilliant counter-strokes in all naval history, Denmark's harbours and appliances, the wharves, the shipping within, have been rendered inactive by the laying of an immense Anglo-French minefield.

So what! Occasionally some vessel by luck and artifice may work her way through, for there never has been a blockade completely tight. But, as a general statement, the British Navy has transformed Denmark into a beleaguered city with egress only by land at its southern end, or by air in other directions.

Supposing Germany were fortunate enough to gain possession of the iron ore (which incidentally is owned not in Norwegian but in Swedish territory), what then? How can she possibly transfer it to the Nazi furnaces?

How are German, or captured Danish, steamers, or even Norwegian, going to reach the port of Narvik without our permission? And what hope of avoiding capture at sea, since the German Navy barely exists and dare not risk any escort?

There are minefields down the west side towards the Elbe even up to the Dutch frontier at Emden, so that impossible task would await the "most adventurous blockade runner."

But let it be assumed that this magnetic ore could still be brought by railway across Sweden to the port of Lulea on the Bothnian Gulf. It should be free of ice from the middle of May till the end of November, and the ore-loading apparatus in good shape.

'Gloomy Maniac's
MAD GAMBLE

Yes; a safe passage down the Gulf, but long before any Germany-bound steamer could reach Stettin or any other Nazi Baltic harbour, she would be in that latest minefield laid by us a week ago extending towards Memel.

And, if our enemies cannot obtain this most necessary ore, if the other products are sufficient for no longer than three months, what has Germany gained by this double invasion?

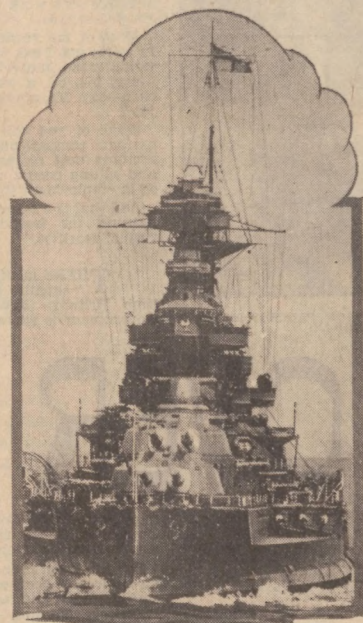
Every consideration confirms what I suggested a week ago. Hitler has embarked on a mad gamble, the desperate throw of a gloomy maniac resolved to smash up the whole world rather than admit himself in the wrong.

That such a person should have this power for a brief rule is enough to make Satan smile, but the sign is fairly evident that a big change is coming. Why?

Because German naval morale has certainly begun to crack. Nor does this cause us any surprise. Before hostilities it was known by our experts that the lack of petty officers in their sea service, like the deficiency of non-commissioned officers in their army, was a serious weakness.

Still more important is the severing of tradition which the Nazi regime created in its resuscitated sea force.

The Graf Spee debacle was the first clearest proof; the loss of six U-boats in little more than seven months; the absence of surface raiders (as compared with such daring ships in the last war as Möwe, Seeadler, Greif, Wolf) gave further indication that Nazi crews are not of the same calibre which manned the Kaiser's ships.



But more convincing of all is the fact that so able a new battleship as Scharnhorst, though assisted and supported by the Admiral Hipper, should break off engagement with H.M.S. Renown and run away after nine minutes.

There is something radically wrong with personnel of that sort. At the present moment, then, Germany stands not where she stood. Her mercantile marine having become so thinned by self-immolation on the high seas; by a process of rusting in neutral ports; by destruction during this Norwegian invasion; is very much a faded flower, while Hitler's Navy has become little better than a broken reed. The two will perish through mutual reliance.

No one expects that British arms will conquer in a sudden effort of brilliance. The task will be slowly completed, a steady tread despite many a difficulty.

Struggle Will Be
INTENSIFIED

The summer months have still to come; the Royal Navy and Royal Air Force become more powerful every day; our freedom of the North Sea is typical of that universal movement open to our shipping over every ocean.

And now, as a free gift following Germany's newest aggression, hundreds of Danish, no less than Norwegian, steamers will fly the Red Ensign. It seems scarcely conceivable that Hitler could have been so unwise not to have foreseen such a result.

Norway alone possessed four million tons of merchant shipping in September last, and many of these vessels last week

were all over the world—anywhere except Norwegian waters.

Vessels of all sorts—sail, motor, Atlantic liners, colliers, timber steamers—well built, and excellently kept, with first-class officers and crews, will now be most useful to our trade.

Denmark's quota, especially those fine tankers and Diesel-engined vessels, can only be regarded as a unique and welcome loan till the end of hostilities, and while our sunken tonnage is being replaced by new construction.

Thus at a period of the war when U-boat warfare is now little felt, and the British blockade is stronger than could ever have been dreamed of, the enemy has really done us a considerable service.

We can look forward to intensified struggle for a few months, but the ultimate result, like the pin-hole of light at the end of a tunnel, will become steadily more definite and unmistakable.

It might be that Scandinavia is destined to be the battle ground for one of the world's decisive wars; that there, whence our Viking ancestors once set forth, we shall re-establish the foundations of civilisation.

Perhaps the great expected clash on the borders of France and Germany was, after all, meant to take place in higher latitudes.

If so—if the scene for that essential final act of the drama is so shifted—then for us as a nation of seafarers things are working out quite nicely, and the sea routes can be used by us to the fullest advantage.

While Germany's overseas trade remains stopped, finished, dead, these newly acquired Scandinavian steamers will immensely help our development of exports while not diminishing that water-borne help on which our armies must rely.

One of the most admirable instances of maritime co-operation has been the embarking and quick transport of the British Expeditionary Force across the North Sea with such economy of time, and so safely guaranteed by the British Navy as to ensure a bridge-like confidence.

This can be appreciated adequately only if we picture to ourselves what would happen in exactly opposite conditions.

Symbol Of The
WHITE ENSIGN

Suppose to Germany belonged all the battle-cruisers, the battleships, the cruisers and aircraft-carriers, the flotillas of destroyers—how could we have sent one soldier to Norway's aid? Rather we should have been waiting our turn for being invaded. And it is most earnestly to be hoped that, after the war, Germany by no sort of subtle insinuation will be allowed even the nucleus of sea power.

No nation can rightly accuse us of employing naval strength to unworthy purpose, but Norway and Denmark will be of those who rejoice that the White Ensign could be the symbol for fighting evil.

No country in the world throughout the story of humanity has to its credit such centuries of heroic deeds afloat. Few weeks in naval warfare have ever been so full of meaning and incessant activity as the past.

When some day we read the full stories of our gallant brethren—how big ships and destroyers did their noble part, how submarines dived into danger, how surface minelayers units with amazing gallantry performed their dangerous duty, then we shall learn afresh how true is that picturesque sentence embodied in the Naval Discipline Act—

"On the Navy, under the good Providence of God, our wealth, prosperity and peace depend."

LIFE'S BIG PROBLEMS

FAKE OR 18-CARAT?

By the
People's Friend

same week were endowed with shotguns were fired at them to reproduce the pitted marks of wormholes in the wood, the dirt and grime of centuries was introduced in an hour, and the most minute details forged with such uncanny accuracy that the finished article would have fooled all but the expert.

I IMAGINE he made a pretty profit out of the sale of these fakes but, clever though they were, the fact remained—they were just fakes, utterly worthless in a world of true values.

Since then I have met people who have reminded me of that strange factory—people who are as sham and artificial as anything I saw there.

On the surface they are perfectly charming—but nothing they say or do is genuine or sincere. They are nothing but cheap fakes, masquerading behind a thin veneer, pretending to be something they are not.

IF you want a classic example—take Hitler! Hitler with his false promises and smooth lies! Hitler the wolf in sheep's clothing, posing as the protector of helpless neutrals while he slily plans their rape.

For a long time he hoaxed the world, but, in the end, like every other fake, he was exposed in his true colours.

That's the fate of every fake. Sooner or later their bluff is called. Stripped of the cloak of pretence, beneath which they hide their real selves, they stand revealed.

COULD THAT HAPPEN TO YOU? DO YOU SAY ONE THING AND MEAN ANOTHER? ARE YOU A FAKE OR THE HUNDRED PER CENT. EIGHTEEN-CARAT, GENUINE ARTICLE?

Your conscience will give you the answer to these questions—and your conscience never lies.



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LET'S TALK

WHEN Mr. Ronald Cross, Minister of Economic Warfare, warned Italy that, if she wishes to be treated as a neutral, she must behave like one, he put into plain words the growing feeling of this country. For years now we have put up with Italian sneers and scarcely veiled threats. These may continue for we have no control over the ill-controlled Fascist Press, but it was certainly time to ask where Italy stands.

Where does she stand? Only one man can answer that question decisively—Benito Mussolini, the man who set a new fashion in despotism and has served as model to other dictators, great and small.

Hitherto the Duce has done nothing to forfeit the confidence of his own countrymen. He believes in power politics and has acted upon that belief adroitly if without scruple.

He has achieved an Empire and, presumably, his chief ambition is to preserve it.

NOBODY in this country wants to quarrel with Italy and few Italians, if they were left to themselves, would wish to quarrel with us.

Unfortunately, men like Mussolini and Hitler have the power not only to control their peoples' actions, but largely to control their minds.

They can manufacture hate almost as easily as gunpowder, and it may be no less explosive.

Mussolini has been busy manufacturing both from time to time, but he is not at all the sort of man to be deceived by his own newspapers or inflamed by his own propaganda.

And the chief task of Allied diplomacy in these fateful days must be to convince him that "non belligerency" will pay sure dividends, whereas, if he backs Hitler, he will be "putting his money on the wrong horse."

NEUTRALITY, of course, is but a step removed from war in these times. All neutrals, including the United States, that great neutral so seemingly safe, secure and rich, three thousand miles away across the Atlantic, have come to realise this.

They find themselves forced to arm to the teeth. They have to budget for war while they are still at peace. They fear treachery from within scarcely less than attack from without.

And they begin to perceive that the Allies are fighting an intolerable menace to humanity itself.

In consternation and in growing anger, they observe that a single man is holding the whole world to ransom.

We have told them that we mean to destroy "Hitlerism." Now they understand that there can be no happiness and no security for anybody until we make it impossible for any single individual to compel the blind obedience of marching millions.

"Democracy" may be an overworked word. Cunning and selfish people may have exploited it to their own advantage.

But it still stands and will always stand for the right of ordinary men and women to live their own lives in freedom.

And if democracy should be overthrown in this immense conflict, freedom will perish with it and our children and our children's children will live in shameful bondage.

EVENTS have moved so swiftly in recent days, and the area of conflict and possible conflict, has been so greatly extended, that even America's "isolationists" are asking themselves how far "isolation" is possible in the modern world.

Holland is not yet invaded. On the contrary she is manning all her defences and doing her utmost to deal with the traitors and the spies in her midst.

But the possibility of invasion is so obvious that Mr. Cordell Hull has thought it necessary to warn Japan against any interference in the status quo of the Pacific.

In other words, he has told the Japanese to keep their hands off the Dutch East Indies if the Nazis should overrun the Netherlands.

And I notice that leading American journalists, one after the other, are beginning to face not only the possibility, but even the likelihood, of American intervention at no distant date.

Without expecting any such development, "Man of the People" would be less surprised to see the United States come in on our side than to see Italy enter the lists on Hitler's.

For the fact is that the Americans dare not contemplate a German victory, and the Italians, probably, dare not count upon one.

NAZI Germany will not win this war. This is the first article in the faith of all free peoples and yet there are many who need to be reminded that she cannot be defeated except at immense cost in blood and treasure.

"Man of the People" does not intend to "talk over" the fighting in Norway. Our laconic bulletins provide little material for discussion.

All we know is that landings have been effected at more than one point and that "the fight is on." In the news pages you will find the latest dispatches—such as they are.

It cannot be denied, however, that for the time being Germany controls most of Norway, and that—thanks to treachery and bribery—she has achieved an almost bloodless conquest.

Oslo was not taken by assault. The pass was sold. Norway was not vanquished; she was betrayed. And it will cost us and the loyal Norwegians, now fighting so desperately in the common cause, an incalculable effort to undo this staggering treachery.

IN another page my colleague, Hanne Swaffer, gives you a startling picture of the activities of Hitler's "Fifth Column" here in our own country.



LOCAL NAZI ORGANISATION PROCESSION IN AMSTERDAM.

IT OVER

It is enough for me to remind you that Holland, which has now proclaimed a general "state of siege," had been permitting for months, if not for years, the activities of openly proclaimed Nazi agents within her frontiers.

The picture in this page shows you an assembly of these "enemy aliens." The Dutch put up with them too long. So did other neutrals. And so did we!

FRANKLY, your correspondent is not yet satisfied that the Government, which has sometimes complained of "the apathy" of the public, is yet taking this war seriously enough.

Only the other day, Mr. Ernest Brown, the Minister of Labour, remarked blandly that he hoped soon to absorb another half million unemployed into industry.

Thought for Today

IF YOUR HEAD IS SCREWED ON
RIGHT, YOU CAN NAIL ALL THE
ENEMY'S LIES.

He hoped that he didn't guarantee it! But, even if his dreams come true, we shall still be left with some six hundred thousand idle hands whereas Germany virtually abolished unemployment some years ago!

NOTHING could be more foolish than to underestimate the enemy's terrific drive and energy. Between 1934 and 1938 Nazi Germany strengthened her industrial army by nearly six millions.

In her factories and on her farms she mobilised a labour army more numerous than the total fighting strength of Britain and France put together!

Since the war began she has trained upwards of half a million men for skilled, or semi-skilled labour; she has put two million "haus fraus" to work in her factories and she has cracked the task-master's whip over the backs of all her "conquered" legions in Poland, Austria, and Czechoslovakia.

She may have little money; she may be desperately short of raw materials and she may be getting shoddy, reluctant work from

CIGARETTE PAPERS

"Is it possible," asks an article, "for people to alter the weather?" There are plenty of depressions when crooners start crooning "A Little Rain Must Fall."

"We must bend our backs," says a politician, "to the task of digging for victory." I've bent mine all right—I want to know how to straighten it!

TODAY'S PROVERB
The chances of life and the fortunes of war.
Can all be withstood, if you try.
You never need fear that you're down in the mouth.
So long as your heart is kept high.

LITTLE ALFIE ON THE FIGHTING NAVY
It's no use, not a bit. However much we decide to be cowboys, or racing motorists, or even gallant airmen when we grow up, we always have to come back to our grate and glorious Navy, and there's only one more thing we can wish for—that we'd been evacuated to the seaside instead of the country.

All the same, Farmer Oates has a pond that dries up. It has a good large surface, and has lots of capes, and bays seaworthy for naval strategy, and it's most difficult to decide what you want to do most—either sail your flagship about the pond, or sit on the bank-roof with a cocktail cigar, and a pair of opera glasses, being Mr. Churchill directing operations from the Admiralty! The

things Father has said about Mr. C., and now he thinks him the grandest chap ever!

Father is all for the Navy, and it isn't just because he spent 4½ years in the Army. He says all soldiers and sailors are brave, but in the Army you can say "Carry on, sailor," but in the Navy you've got to jolly well do it jolly yourself. And, you golly, that's what the Navy doesn't do, does it?

Before this war Father used to growl in his grumbling way that England hadn't got any Nelsons or Beattys left, but now he reckons the Navy of today is all right, same as me and Horrie do. In fact, he says that in battleships, cruisers and destroyers all over the 7 seas, you'll find young Nelsons and Beattys doing there stuff without fuss.

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"MAN O'
THE PEOPLE"
writes on
"Things That Matter
To You And Me"

her millions of bullied and dragooned workers, but at least she is not deliberately wasting any available man power.

Here, with more than a million unemployed, we are facing the fantastic economic fact that idle men are tempted to remain idle because a full week's work brings them no commensurate reward.

Most of my readers—Thank Heaven!—are in work, but I ask them all what choice they would make, individually, if they could draw—say, 27s. 6d. a week for doing nothing or earn—say, 30s. a week in an arduous full-time job?

Some of you will tell me that this is an extreme comparison. Perhaps, but the fact remains that scores of thousands of decent and willing people would be very little better off in employment than they are "on the dole."

And that is a standing reproach to a country fighting for freedom on the principle of "equal sacrifice."

THERE is, of course, no such thing as "equality of sacrifice" in this war-time Britain. For instance, though the Government is spending a million or more a day in its effort to keep the cost of living stable, it has just allowed the railway companies to increase their fares by an over-all ten per cent.

There was, and is, no excuse for this increase. Labour intends to fight it, and I hope that many Conservatives will join the Opposition in the righteous struggle against privilege and monopoly interest.

For the truth is that the railway companies have already been offered increased wartime traffic profits, and now Captain Euan Wallace is calmly handing them something in the nature of a bonus!

Railway expenses may have increased, but receipts have increased too. Profits have been rising fast and we have been given no evidence that they are now declining.

In effect, any increase in the cost of travel means an increase in the cost of living itself, and so the general public is asking indignantly whether it is not being "bled" to pay wartime profits to railway stockholders.

This is a question that must be answered. And vague assurances won't be enough: we need facts and figures solid enough to satisfy the Railway Rates Tribunal—which has not yet been consulted!

THERE are—literally—millions of people at home who do not yet realise the nature of this war. They grumble at high taxation; they complain of our paltry rationing restrictions, and, making no special effort themselves, they are apt to sneer at the legion of volunteer workers still performing their thankless tasks!

In some ways I feel that the Government is giving this selfish minority unfair consideration. It has announced, for instance, a restriction in the supply of shirts, and stockings, and suits, and dresses to retail shops.

But for the time being at least there is nothing whatever to prevent the well-to-do from stocking their wardrobes to the limit!

LET me warn you that before this war is won we shall all feel the pinch. It is true that we have crippled the German fleet; true that, on balance, the Allied Air Forces have proved superior to the enemy's.

But the Nazis have not yet sustained that "major disappointment" in the field which is an essential preliminary to their defeat.

They still retain the strategic initiative. They still terrorise the lesser neutrals.

And nothing less than our utmost effort and our individual sacrifice will suffice to rid the world of their disgusting tyranny.

A Man of the People

CUP-OF-TEA SONG

The new Minister of Food has asked us not to waste anything valuable, and he has asked us to be careful with one special commodity. O.K., my lord, if that's the sort of sacrifice I've got to make, it suits me to a T!

Oh, drinking is a habit that we can't quite do without; Some quantity of liquid we all need, without a doubt. Some folk like whisky, some like beer, And some drink stout with glee; These things, I'm sure, are all O.K., But they're not my cup of tea.

There's nothing suits me like a nice cup of tea; Without it I'd reckon each meal was a blot. To orders of economy I very gladly bow; A teaspoonful per person is quite strong enough, I vow; And I'll have you without strength, for that's my weakness now! With one for each person, and none for the pot.

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THE WORLD ON PARADE

Figures That Betray

A Big Bit

JOINT BOYCOTT COUNCIL, formed by American Jewish Congress for purpose of strengthening trade boycott on Nazis, has published a report which stresses sudden rise of shipments of valuable metals to small neutral border countries of Germany and to Latin-American countries.

Quoting statistics from U.S. Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, the report revealed that the Netherlands, which had bought no lead from U.S.A. in whole of 1938, bought in first seven months of the war more than 2,000,000 lb.

Belgium in the same period bought 3,000,000 lb., as compared with 56,000 lb. in 1938, while Hungary also became a big buyer of lead where formerly she bought none at all.

The flow of metal to Germany became even more evident when Swiss trade figures were examined. In the whole of 1938 Switzerland imported from U.S.A. 1,296,375 lb. of copper. From September, 1939, to January, 1940, copper imports were 9,648,033 lb.

CANADA is playing a triple rôle in this war. She is sending us troops, organising the greatest air training scheme in history and, in addition, she is helping to prosecute the war at sea.

Anti-submarine patrol vessels to a value of more than £9,000,000 have been ordered, and minesweepers costing £2,000,000 have been also ordered. Vessels of Canada's national maritime fleet are being converted into armed merchant cruisers, and big orders for naval munitions have been placed.

FORMERLY it was the custom, when soldiers were enlisted for war-time service, they assumed other names than their own or were given them by the authorities, hence the origin of *nom de guerre*.

In both Lincolnshire and Yorkshire there are 300 places in which the name of the place was originally Danish settlements.

In the 16th century few people in Cornwall could speak English, their own dialect being preferred, which was somewhat akin to the Welsh?

It was Henry VIII who first ordered a five-shilling piece to be struck, but it was coined not in silver but in gold.

Mercy

SINCE President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Cordell Hull began, just over two years ago, international movement for succour of refugees, German political refugees estimated

"WE PLAY ON"

THERE'LL be bright news and dark news, but just keep on and grin, for no matter what happens we'll Play on and Win. We'll help those we can and we'll play fair to foes, it's the rules of the Game and we keep them, God knows!

THERE'LL be smooth ways and grim ways and the Game will be tough, but we'll play on to the end for we're made of that stuff. And we've played this before, and been proud to relate that our cards were not soiled with Dishonour nor Hate.

THEY'RE that same plain old Pack that we've used times galore, when we've dealt out for Friendship, and been forced into War. But Honour and Justice will see Evil gone, and till that Good Time comes we'll just smile and PLAY ON. J. M.

to number nearly 140,000 have crossed the seas.

But since the war began, Germany has wanted young men and women to remain in Germany to help in the war work, and for the time being principal aim of refugee movement is the transfer from Europe of German exiles temporarily resident there.

A-wheel

LACK of road transport facilities in Germany is boosting the bicycle. Pedal or walk is the choice open to travellers. German car industry is not only suffering severely from drastic petrol regulations, but is confined to the manufacture of 20 models as against 52 before the war.

Similarly, only 30 types of motorcycles are being made. Formerly there was a choice of 150 models.

The People's Car boosted by Hitler will not be produced until the war is ended. The 250,000 good Nazis who began to pay their 4½ years' instalments have been given the choice of continuing to pay weekly, or of ceasing to pay and forfeit all instalments already paid.

Charity

WAR cannot dry up the wells of charity. Last year American organisations sent abroad £8,000,000 to alleviate distress in Europe and Asia—the largest sum since 1931.

China (£2,000,000) got the most. India and Japan £700,000 and £500,000 respectively, got most of those sums from Protestant Churches.

Britain, too, continues to give freely since the war. Appeals restarted in October last year over the wireless have produced nearly £250,000. Funds for seamen and dependants reached £90,000 in little over a month.

POSER

MRS. BROWN told shopping she wanted. It was priced at a certain number of shillings, but she had not enough money to pay for it. Mrs. Brown then had 2½ times as much money as she needed for the purchase. What was the price of the article?

Solution to last Sunday's poser:—The times for the three miles are 1, the proportion 4—6—9. When Cyril had done two miles Stanley has done 1½ and is 2½ mile behind. Stanley has to gain 1½ mile. While Cyril is doing the third mile and Stanley the second the latter gains at the rate of 1½ mile per mile. He gains, therefore, 1½ mile in half mile. Stanley has then done 1½ + ½ = 1½ miles, and Cyril has done 2½ + ½ = 1½ miles. THE LOOKER-ON.

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WISDOM WEEK BY WEEK
Confidence in victory is the first step towards it.

Chancellor Counts Up His £2,000,000,000 Budget

NATION TO PAY £24 PER HEAD IN TAXES AND STILL MORE SAVINGS ARE NEEDED

By Our Political Correspondent
SIR JOHN SIMON, CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER, IS SPENDING TODAY STRIKING THE FINAL BALANCE OF THE £2,000,000,000 WAR BUDGET WHICH HE WILL PUT BEFORE THE COMMONS ON TUESDAY.

About £1,100,000,000 of that sum will be raised by taxes and other forms of revenue—equal to about £24 for every man, woman and child in the country.

The remainder will be raised by borrowing. This will mean the flotation of one or more big loans before the year is out, in addition to appeals to the little man to save harder than ever.

Several increases of taxation are expected under the Budget. The main extra changes will probably be—

Postage—Increase in the letter rate from 1d. to 2d.

Income Tax—Standard rate 7s. 6d. in the £ to remain, but lowering of the limit at which tax becomes payable will cause hundreds of thousands of wage earners to pay tax.

Whisky—Increase of half a crown a bottle expected.

Tobacco—Extra penny likely on every ten cigarettes.

The Chancellor has also been considering the possibility of putting an extra penny a pint on beer. He may also levy surtax on incomes of £1,500, instead of £2,000, as at present.

DOCTOR SIGNED CROOK'S PASSPORT

A DOCTOR who was stated to have signed a passport application form for a man he did not know but who was known to Scotland Yard as "an international crook," was fined £40 and 10 guineas costs at Westminster yesterday.

He was Dr. Angus Cameron Livingston, of The Avenue, Bedford Park, W. Mrs. Doreen Maybelle Adams, of Orchard-house, Bedford Park, was bound over for aiding and abetting.

Mrs. Adams was stated to have "felt sorry" for a man named Charles Maynard. When he said he wanted someone to vouch for him for a passport, she took him to Dr. Livingston, the family physician.

After a passport had been issued Maynard was found to be Maurice Bloomberg, a South African Jew.

"LOVE DOCTOR" IS TAKING A REST
NORTH London's "marriage doctor," the Rev. David Mace, superintendent of Archway Methodist Central Hall, Highgate, is leaving there in August.

For more than two years he has run an unofficial marriage bureau with the co-operation of doctors and others, and has dealt with scores of cases from all parts of London.

He plans to study the subject of marriage and become an expert.

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Searle's

11—BOUGHT BEER FOR HER "BOY"

AN eleven-years-old girl was stated at Cleethorpes Juvenile Court yesterday to have stolen £2 from her mother and bought her boy friend a cigarette case, pipe, bottle of beer, pocket knife, Easter eggs and cigarettes.

"I got into these ways because of girl companions," sobbed the girl, who was placed on probation for six months.

LIKE MY HAT?



Mrs. Dora Taunton wore a smart floral hat at her wedding to Mr. R. Scott-Worthington at St. George's, Hanover-square, yesterday.

"I Can't Take It With Me"

£100 GIFTS BY OLD NAVY MAN

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Emsworth (Hants), Saturday.

NAVAL PENSIONER WALKED INTO EMSWORTH VICTORIA COTTAGE HOSPITAL, A MILE FROM HIS HOME, AND GAVE £100 IN BANK NOTES TO THE TREASURER, SAYING, "TAKE THIS IN MEMORY OF MY DEAR WIFE."

SAID TO HAVE POSED AS Q.M.S.

BILLETS for soldiers arranged by a man who was said to have posed as a quarter-master-sergeant and obtained money by false pretences, were mentioned at Wimbledon yesterday.

Robert Armstrong Little (twenty-four), of Goldsmith-ave., Hendon, was again remanded in custody, charged with obtaining two sums of £2 with intent to cheat and defraud. Imputing that there would be a further charge. Detective Randall said the man, an absentee from the Army, had obtained £10 from different people in districts he did not know.

Mr. George Arthur Lewis, of Windermer-ave., Morden, said that Little, giving the name of Robertson and wearing Army uniform with three stripes and a crown, stated that he was a quarter-master-sergeant and was arranging for billets for soldiers.

Later he said that he was going to a staff dance at Whitehall, took about 30s. out of his pocket and added, "I have got to pay 30s. for alterations to my uniform and that will not leave me much for the dance. Can you let me have £2 until the bill-paying officer comes, and he will repay you out of my money?" He (Mr. Lewis) gave Little £2, which he could ill afford.

TRAVELLERS WANT TO BE LICENSED

THE Chancellor is immediately to be urged to subject commercial travellers to inland revenue licence.

This decision was reached at the conference in London yesterday of the National Union of Commercial Travellers. Licensing, it was said, would provide a useful sum for the Treasury, and would protect the vocation and act as a check on espionage by persons falsely representing themselves to be commercial travellers.

Mr. H. L. Watson, of Liverpool, suggested a licence fee of £10 a year.

OUR CHILDREN—TALLER, HEAVIER!

BRITAIN'S CHILDREN ARE GROWING TALLER AND HEAVIER. THIS IS SHOWN BY AN ANALYSIS OF THE RECORDS FOR THE YEAR 1938 OF ABOUT 100,000 L.C.C. SCHOLARS.

The average schoolboy today is 2.2 inches taller and 7.5 lb. heavier than the boy of 1910.

And the average girl is 2.1 inches taller and 8.1 lb. heavier than the girl of 1910.

A child aged five-and-a-half years today is as tall as the 1910 child aged six-and-a-half.

Other points revealed in the report of Sir Frederick Mott (School Medical Officer), published yesterday, are—

Central school children are, on the average, taller and heavier than the children in other elementary schools.

Up to about eleven years of age boys are slightly taller and heavier than girls, but from twelve to the end of the school age the measurements of girls exceed those of boys.

During the last 30 years the improvement in the physique of the London elementary school child has been greater than the average for other parts of England.

TURKEY PARDONS CONVICT "HEROES"

Ankara, Saturday.

TURKISH Parliament today passed a Bill pardoning 241 convicts as a recognition of the part they took in the rescue work during the disastrous earthquakes in the Erzindjan region last December.

The convicts, who displayed great heroism, saved the lives of hundreds of people buried beneath the ruins of their homes.—Reuter.

ALL MUST MAKE WAR SACRIFICE

Leeds, Saturday.

SACRIFICES there must be by all of us if the mighty effort required in the prosecution of the war is to be forthcoming, said Mr. Herbert Morrison, M.P. at Leeds today.

"But those sacrifices," he went on, "must be equitable as between different sections of the community."

The burden falling on the well-to-do should take account of their larger means and the most rigorous steps should be taken to prevent jobbery and profiteering in the organising of the nation's war efforts."

HUNGER STRIKE, 2 DIE

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Dublin, Saturday.

FIRST big hunger strike staged by I.R.A. prisoners against de Valera's Government has been called off, but it has cost two of the six strikers their lives.

John McNeela died early today, nearly four hours after he and his comrades had decided to refuse food no longer.

With the others he had been on strike since March 26, Anthony Darcy died on Tuesday.

"The People's" Secret Service News

ber are now being evacuated farther east.

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Fighters Since Napoleon's Days

John Webb, 18, Adds Narvik To Record

FOR FIVE GENERATIONS, FROM NAPOLEON TO NARVIK, THE WEBBS HAVE BEEN FIGHTING FOR ENGLAND. EIGHTEEN-YEARS-OLD JOHN WEBB, OF HEACHAM, NORFOLK, HAS JUST BROUGHT THE RECORD UP TO DATE BY SERVING IN THE DESTROYER HOSTILE AT THE EPIC NAVAL BATTLE OF NORWAY.

"Bonus Share" Trick

COSTS NATION MILLIONS

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

IMMEDIATELY BEFORE THE CHANCELLOR MAKES HIS BUDGET SPEECH ON TUESDAY, CHARGES OF WIDESPREAD TAX DODGING BY WEALTHY COMPANIES WILL BE MADE BY THE OPPOSITION.

Mr. John Wilmot, M.P., an expert on City affairs, who has been studying the balance-sheets of a number of millionaires companies, will reveal how huge sums have been lost to the Exchequer as a result of a trick by these companies.

Instead of declaring dividends to distribute profits, they are issuing bonus shares.

These bonus shares do not require recipients to pay surtax.

The Exchequer is losing millions of pounds a year as a result of this dodge.

Another racket about which Mr. Wilmot will ask is the formation of "dummy" companies with a legal domicile in Cyprus.

By registering there the companies evade many responsibilities they would incur if registered in Britain.

Large numbers of so-called investment companies have been registered there in the last six months.

HOTEL CHIEFS HAVE A SEX PROBLEM

EXPECTING a busy summer season, seaside hotel managers are wondering how they are going to fare with the serious shortage of waiters and kitchen hands.

Many young waiters and kitchen workers have been called up for military service. Many experienced cooks have been taken by the Services to train recruits.

Numbers of hotels are arranging to employ women. But women are also difficult to get.

CARDIFF MURDER CHARGE

At Cardiff police court yesterday, George Edward Roberts, twenty-nine, was charged with the wilful murder of Arthur John Allen, a ship's steward.

Roberts had previously been committed to the Assizes charged with robbery with violence from Allen, and with other charges. The new charge follows Allen's death in hospital. He was remanded.

Here, at a glance, is what John's forebears have done to help their country in times of crisis:—

His great-great-grandfather served with the famous Duke of Wellington when Napoleon menaced Europe.

His great-grandfather, William Webb, fought in the Indian Mutiny.

His great-grandmother helped Florence Nightingale as a nurse in the Crimean War.

His grandfather, Charles Webb, who died recently and was accepted for service in the last war at the age of forty-seven, was a soldier on the North-West Frontier of India.

VOLUNTEERS ALL

His father, who also fought in the last war, is on active service in this one.

His two uncles and a brother are also with the Forces. A third uncle was wounded in the Great War and was prevented by age from volunteering this time.

Not one of the menfolk of this family has been conscripted either in this war or the last. They have invariably volunteered at once. They're fighters, these Webbs.

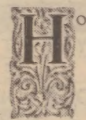
WIDOW'S FORTUNE FOR CHARITY

APART from a legacy of £57 to the concierge of her flat in Nice, Mrs. Edith Coventry-Davies, of Whitehall-court, S.W., left all her £13,357 property equally between four charities in England.

In her will, published yesterday, Mrs. Coventry-Davies said these bequests were made in "humble and grateful thanks for the bountiful goodness and benefactions of Providence."

She expressed a desire to be buried in a white coffin.

How to make your Rationed Foods go Further



HOW can you make the most of the rationed foods and ensure that your family meals are completely nourishing and health-giving? A satisfactory answer to this question is of the greatest importance to everyone to-day.

First of all, remember that the principal nutritive elements provided by the rationed foods—meat, bacon, butter and sugar—are proteins, fats and carbohydrates. These are the food properties which rebuild the tissues and cells of the body, provide warmth and create energy.

The best way to guard against any lack of these essential elements in your wartime diet is to make delicious 'Ovaltine' your regular daily beverage. Prepared from Nature's finest protective and restorative foods, 'Ovaltine' provides in scientifically correct proportions the proteins, carbohydrates, calcium, phosphorus and other nutritive properties required to build up physical and mental fitness to the highest level of efficiency. Its vitamin content, is also outstanding.

Remember, also, that 'Ovaltine' possesses exceptional nerve-building properties which are of particular value to you in these trying days. These properties are largely derived from the new-laid eggs which are liberally used in the manufacture of 'Ovaltine'. The eggs which 'Ovaltine' contains make it the complete tonic food beverage.

The proprietors of 'Ovaltine' go to unusual lengths to ensure and control the excellence of the ingredients used. The world-famous 'Ovaltine' Dairy and Egg Farms were specially established in the interests of 'Ovaltine' quality.

For all these reasons 'Ovaltine' provides the best answer to your wartime food problems. Make it the daily beverage for every member of your family. Make it the bedtime beverage, too. There is nothing like 'Ovaltine'—it is pre-eminent for ensuring peaceful, nerve-restoring sleep.

But be sure you insist on 'Ovaltine'. It would be a simple matter to cheapen 'Ovaltine' by altering the proportions of its health-giving ingredients and adding other substances. But the result would not be 'Ovaltine', which is sold at the lowest price consistent with the quality and benefits it provides.

Remember, 'Ovaltine' results are obtained only from 'Ovaltine.'



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WHEN A CORN STABS LIKE A THORN



THE ROOT IS PRESSING ON THE SENSITIVE NERVE

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Cecil Hadley Calling—

HERE THERE ANY OLD WHERE

Edward Lyndoe's Predictions

PLAN WITH THE PLANETS

"The Turning Point"

I can now be reckoned that the turning point of the war was passed (as I forecast) at the time of the eclipse early this month. From now on, in spite of the heavy weather which the Democracies have to ride, the world moves steadily towards a settlement. I have never believed this would be a long war, and I have never doubted the outcome.

In my judgment, the event which will bring Hitler's ambitions crashing will occur in a matter of weeks, will be regarded in after-time as nothing short of a miracle, and will arise with a suddenness which will leave even the victors stunned.



The Pope

NORWEGIAN campaign does not represent the principal theatre of war. I have no doubt about the fate of the occupying Germans, and my calculations tend to show that an Allied victory will not be long delayed.

From Hitler's point of view it is extremely unlucky that he should have chosen so hazardous a gamble just at the time his chart shows him running into trouble.

I TOLD you long ago that Hitler would be on the spot by the Spring. Ominous signs of more serious trouble for him centre upon the early part of May. He will then

be under heavy Saturn influence and will make a desperate effort to break out of the fast-closing ring. He will not succeed.

THERE is every indication in the charts covering this week of some kind of "dust-up" between the Fuehrer and his Naval chiefs. Mutinous actions in the Navy are probable. The real beginning of the breakdown of the war machine will develop in this direction.

AN important factor in the European situation is the Church of Rome. Evidence in current charts signifies unexpected moves by the Pope.

I said when he was enthroned that the new Pope would not be content with a spectator's seat. You are going to have important evidence of the correctness of this forecast before many weeks are out.

BRIEF BIRTHDAY INDICATIONS

(Applying to those whose anniversaries occur this week.)

TODAY

A PART from the question of your finances, the year is reasonably easygoing. You can safely turn your surplus energy to dealing with problems to do with home and friendships.

TOMORROW

You will have to fight hard this year if you are to realise your ambitions. Conditions are somewhat depressing and most plans suffer badly from delays.

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS THIS WEEK, you can have a specially compiled Month-by-Month Review of your affairs up to the end of April, 1941 (over 3,500 words) by applying AT ONCE, together with a P.O. for 2/- to cover clerical and postal costs. State name (Mr., Mrs. or Miss), full postal address, date of birth, and send to Edward Lyndoe, c/o "The People," 93, Long Acre, W.C.2.

environment which helps to offset the tension in other directions.

THURSDAY

You could scarcely wish for a better year financially, but there are a number of snags in other directions. Difficulties in dealing with other people slow down progress both in the home and in business.

FRIDAY

Everything appears to be in your favour this year, and if you do not make headway it will be largely your own fault. You should plan now for rapid expansion of your interests, especially in business.

SATURDAY

The unexpected plays a big part in events of next few months. This is definitely a year to strike out for yourself on new lines. Cultivate new interests with confidence.

HOW WE ALL STAND THIS WEEK

(Look for your birth date below to find your section.)

MARCH 21 to APRIL 20

TOO many upsets for you to attempt any break with your normal routine. A hitch in your arrangements over this week-end may involve you in temporary financial difficulties.

APRIL 21 to MAY 20

Strongly advise you to make full use of the present week-end for dealing with current problems. From Monday on there are signs of increasing tension and Wednesday and Thursday are both likely to prove trying days.

MAY 21 to JUNE 20

Temptation to try out new ideas at the beginning of the week will have to be suppressed. Conditions are by no means favourable for tackling changes and you will avoid a good deal of trouble if you wait until Wednesday before coming to any decision.

JUNE 21 to JULY 20

Week opens under a cloud, owing to a disappointing Monday which may cause delay in pushing ahead with plans. Thursday marks highly critical point.

JULY 21 to AUGUST 20

Advise you to concentrate on the tail-end of the week for settling questions at present under discussion. Business prospects infinitely brighter towards next week-end.

AUGUST 21 to SEPTEMBER 20

You will find the going much easier if you will be patient until Wednesday. It is essential that all matters of importance should be

dealt with as far as possible at mid-week.

SEPTEMBER 23 to OCTOBER 22

After pleasant week-end you run into difficulties on Monday. Advise you to make good use of today for dealing with matters calling for attention.

OCTOBER 23 to NOVEMBER 22

This week imposes considerable strain on your patience. Current conditions are by no means favourable for progress. You will be well advised to take everything quietly.

NOVEMBER 23 to DECEMBER 20

Dull week until Thursday, which is an interesting day on account of the sound opportunities then for clearing up old problems and making bid for further expansion.

DECEMBER 21 to JANUARY 19

Friday introduces much more optimistic conditions. A little effort then should result in a real move forward. Drastic changes, however, still seem unwise.

JANUARY 20 to FEBRUARY 18

With the exception of Tuesday there is little to worry you. Disappointments which crop up this week-end may make it necessary for you to come to a decision, but my advice is to play for time.

FEBRUARY 19 to MARCH 20

Helpful week, but you will have one or two stormy patches to negotiate. Already on Monday you will be faced with a general hold-up in your plans, largely owing to the hostile attitude of people round about.

TODAY'S RADIO

Home Service

391.1 METRES (767 kc/s) and 449.1 METRES (668 kc/s)

7.0 a.m.—Time News.
7.15—The Norris Stanley Sextet.
7.45—Violin Music by Joseph Sigel on Gramophone.
8.15—Frank Davis at the Organ of Odeon, Manchester.
8.30—Mendelssohn: Trio for Piano, Violin and Cello.
9.0—Time News.
9.15—Gramophone.
9.25—Service: Address by Rev. J. S. Stewart.
9.35—B.C.C. Orchestra (Section G).
10.45—Charles Ernest Quintet, with Walter Midgley.
11.15—Peace on the River—Talk by R. Gibbins.
11.30—Chopin Etudes, played by Leo Kinsman (piano).
12.0 noon—B.B.C. Salon Orchestra.
12.10—Chin—North China Folk Tunes.
1.0—Time News.
1.15—Black Dyke Mills Band.
1.30—Falkman and Asche Band, with Amalia Magri.
2.15—In Your Garden, by C. H. Middleton.
2.30—Orchestral Concert.
2.40—Reginald Foort at the Organ.
4.0—Truce: New Farlow Game for Listeners.
4.15—Walt Disney.
4.30—News and a Topical Talk (in Welsh).
5.15—Time News.
5.30—Under Nazi Rule 10: Agriculture.
5.45—Service: Address by Rev. P. T. Thomas.
6.0—Theatrical Memories.
6.15—Introductory Music.
6.30—Service: Address by Rev. P. T. Thomas.
6.45—Week's Good Cause.
6.55—Last's Songs: Henry Cummings (baritone).
7.0—Time News.
7.15—Vanilla Fair, by W. M. Thackeray (adaptation).
7.30—At Bollington at the Organ.
7.45—B.C.C. Scottish Orchestra; Ian Smith (tenor).
8.0—The Kentworth Octet.
8.15—Elixir: String Quartet.
8.30—Time News.

For The Forces

11.0 a.m. to 10.0 p.m. B.S.T. (373.1 Metres, 804 kc/s). (6.0 to 6.30 p.m. News, etc., obtainable for Forces from Home Service Programme on 449.1 or 391.1 Metres.)

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11.15—Outline Ballads of Two Continents (records).
12.15 p.m.—Fulton Rapsley at the Organ.
12.40—Home Service.
1.0—Time News.
1.15—Garrison Theatre (recording).
2.15—Jack Wilson and his Versatile Five.
2.40—The Argyle Temperance Plate Band.
2.50—Sing Me a Song with Social Significance.
3.30—Community Hymn-Sing.
3.50—Air Force Football: France v. Gt. Britain.
4.30—The Royal Artillery (Woolwich) Band.
5.0—Despatch from the Front: Recorded story of what has been happening on the Western Front.
5.15—Requests in Rhythm.
5.30—Foreign Languages Bulletin.
5.45—Military Band.
6.0—Service: Address by Rev. Herbert Leggate.
6.15—Weekly News-Letter.
6.30—Reginald Foort at the Organ.
6.45—Variety Concert, with Haver and Lee, Nanette, Patricia Bonborough, George Bolton, from the Crescent Cinema, Leatherhead.
6.55—Musical Variety from Canada.
7.0—Foreign Longways Rulin.
7.15—What's On Tomorrow?
7.30—The You Have Loved (Gramophone Records).
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DODGING TROUBLE

SORRY to say, Gang, we have had to come down to shorter rations for the time being, but I know you won't grouse. It's all part of the job of beating the barny painter of Berchtesgaden.

Besides that, you've got something to smile about—you can take your Uncle Cecil's word for that.

I wonder if you fully appreciate the difference in the outlook from only two Sundays ago? So, although your favourite paper (as are all others) is smaller, it's worth while, ain't it?

THERE'S only one fly in the doings, and that is in the Italian newspapers, which are deliberately omitting British triumphs and inventing German successes which haven't happened. They are even saying the German navy is victorious when, as we (and they) know, it is almost all sunk, and they are dally sinking our Navy instead. They are deliberately twisting the news.

You fully value your birthright of a free Press? In the slave countries (Germany, Russia and Italy), the papers are only allowed to print what the dictators order; not the true news.

SAID one Cockney to another: "Following my usual custom of explaining my jokes, which generally are then more or less understandable..."

So, you see, besides being most erudite—oh, most—my wisecracks are liable at any moment to become slap up to date.

EXCUSE me—Haw-Haw.

I WANTED to talk to you girls about those snappy new undies we call petti-kicks, but the editor sees this isn't the women's page. I see, but isn't this the Here, There, and Any Old Where Department? He says, maybe, but petti-kicks don't qualify. Petti-foggin' I call it.

YESTERDAY was the birthday of Adolf Schickgruber.

The Aisle of Right

"I am marrying the brother of my sister's husband. At the church does she sit with our family or his?"

(Letter to Bob Sister.)

Auntie Nellie replies: If I were you I should marry someone else, dear, and save the worry.

Famous Last Words

"No Englishman or Frenchman will show his nose in Norway or Denmark for the rest of the war."—Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop I.C.

EXCUSE me—Haw-Haw.

CONTINUING to coach you in the meaning of big words, Schizophrenia is split mind.

So a fan of Jack Warner's, suffering from this unhappy complaint, would probably say "Schizophrenia my bike."

Privileged Footballers

AS regards those other sports stars, the professional footballers, in comfort on home service, I see I am gathering adherents amongst my Press colleagues about this scandal—for scandal is the only word that fits.

I took the matter up with all sense of responsibility when readers in the Forces, and outside, began writing me on the matter.

The commonest grievance in those letters was that footballers, even the youngest, millionaires, could apparently get leave whenever they wanted it. There were cases of young players who played three times at the Easter holidays and had games on the following Saturday, Monday and Tuesday (three more, in eight days as well).

No wonder other soldiers wrote and asked why they couldn't get leave like it. We hardly seemed to be taking the war seriously.

One young Arsenal player has been noticeably fortunate in the number of games he has been able to play since he was called up.

The Army are taking a team to play Scotland in the week. Will this mean some of the players being the better of part of three days away from their units?

And will it mean occupying a lot of seats in the limited accommodation available in trains, with, possibly, soldiers on leave made to stand in the corridors?

WHAT people really wish to know is why many professional footballers, all of whom we may assume are Class 1 fit, get into the backwaters of the home forces instead of the line regiments, and why others, who had shown no evidence of it before the war managed to get into skilled industries and reserved occupations.

No Escape

YOU may not have noticed the blitheliest thing the Huns did when they swooped down on the inoffensive Norwegians in Oslo. They brought a brass band and played it all the way through the city.

The poor Norwegians couldn't do what we do in Britain—switch off.

PARDON me—Haw-Haw.

Famous Last Words

"After May we shall sink all shipping at sight and spare nobody."—Commander of a U-boat.

Meaning they will go on doing as they have done since the first day of the war. Remember the Athenia!

We don't look upon a death charge as a pretty toy, but every time one bumps into these foul blond beasts we shall feel inclined to give three hearty cheers.

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YOU WHY

THE FOOTBALL

WELL, the critics have got their answer. This new Cup football is a success. The bonus system put the players in the right way, and there was that freedom of scoring that we have been having in the League. The public welcomed the Cup, too. With crowd restrictions relaxed there rolled up in their thousands and some of the attendance figures reminded me of pre-war days.

Something like 22,000 people watched the battle of Manchester, while 15,000 went along to Crystal Palace v. Tottenham, and even a comparatively unfashionable place like Rochdale had 10,000.

A GREAT game at Chesterfield saw Huddersfield suffer their first away defeat of the season, and Wrexham surprised everybody by holding the Wolves to a draw. In fact the Wanderers were losing until ten minutes from the end! Bournemouth had the next goal of the game at Plymouth, and Darlington, after being a goal up at half-time, had the next goal drawn against Sunderland at Newcastle.

Nottingham were well beaten by Arsenal, but the Laces men were not outclassed so far as names go. The game came within minutes of being a draw, but the home side, playing for their lives, and the Wolves, who were not out of the League, were not out of the League.

THE other Nottingham team, the Forest, also had a narrow escape of a number of the attendance. Cummings, Broome and Armstrong, and they managed to beat Charlton in a sensational 1-0 win, in which Armstrong scored with the last kick of the match. Their Cup-winning team, too, but they would have been in West Bromwich, whereas Preston did not deserve to be beaten 3-1 at Everton.

LOTS of missed penalties and none more exciting than that at Coventry. The game was a draw for the home side and Coen, the Luton goalkeeper, cleared it after an exciting incident in which he was injured.

Southend had a thrilling win, they were losing 1-0, and then things began to happen. Ormrod equalised, Walton ran clean through to score, and the Shrimpers the lead and Ormrod set a third with the last kick.

WARD are still wondering how it all happened. They have completely scuttled the exciting League programme. We now have Cup-ties every Saturday until June 8, for you must remember that the first two rounds are to be played on the home and away principle.

CLUBS do not like mid-week games. The atmosphere and the interest seems to be lacking. The crowd is the most important. If that difficulty, however, is not a problem, it is not free in mid-week.

I had a sample of all that the other day when I went down to see the match between Huddersfield and Bolton. Never has there been such an pathetic game from every point of view.

A 500 crowd, lack of enthusiasm and a "no-nonsense" attitude made the match seem like a farce. Nothing could have been done about it. It's not football's fault, it's not Brighton manager Charlie Webb's fault—no, we can lay it all at the feet of that Man!

REALLY, it went down to the South Coast to see why Brighton had given away 46 goals in their last nine South "D" games. I soon learnt why.

Brighton were leading 3-2 with a couple of minutes to go. A loose ball dropped down the middle towards the Brighton goal. The two home backs went for it, but while a Bournemouth forward just slipped in, took it away from them and banged it past the helpless goalkeeper.

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times during the last 15 years! He was the best man on the field against Bournemouth.

TALKING of Bournemouth reminds me that they also have the team works. Some of their men are stationed out of the way places in Somerset and Dorset, which makes travelling difficult to and from Bournemouth.

Some of these men have a four or five mile walk from the train to their camps, but they cheerfully undertake it after a hard game of football.

And I suppose there must be hundreds of others like them all over the country. Anything for a game.

I SUPPOSE the deadness at this Brighton game must be typical of the smaller provincial clubs everywhere. They are fighting a losing battle all along the line against the big "Big Five".

Yet it is these sort of clubs who have been given only one chance in five to win the Cup, whereas the "Big Five" have been given two. It certainly seems all wrong.

But we must use Charlie Webb still keeps cheerful through it, and I don't notice an extra drop of sweat on his forehead when he is without a goal-keeper for next Saturday's (yes, next Saturday) game. And that sort of thing!

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5 Killed, 15 Hurt As Munition Shed Blows Up

SABOTAGE RULED OUT, SAYS MINISTRY

Their Floral Welcome Hardy's Heroes at Home

BOUQUETS and kisses were showered by relatives and friends on men of the destroyer Hardy when they assembled outside the Royal Naval Barracks at Plymouth yesterday before going on leave.

The Hardy's men, together with those from H.M.S. Eclipse, which was damaged by a "near-miss" during an enemy bombing attack, were welcomed by the Commander-in-Chief. He spoke of the West Country's pride at the decisive blow they had given the enemy.

HIS "TIN FISH"
One of the youngest of the Hardy company, Stoker James A. Lee, of St. Budeaux, is a torpedoed man and one of the "Tin Fish" he helped to launch "blew sky high in a cloud of smoke"—as he put it—a German destroyer in Narvik Fjord.

Among the crowd was Mrs. Bowman, wife of Seaman Charles Bowman, of Plymouth, who had heard no news of her husband since the battle. As the men trooped out of the naval barracks she tearfully and anxiously scanned their faces.

Disappointed, she spoke to a survivor who knew her husband. "To the best of my knowledge," he told her, "I believe your husband was picked up by another destroyer and is safe."

"It is the best news I have heard in my life," exclaimed the now joyful Mrs. Bowman.

HEINKEL IS SHOT DOWN IN HOLLAND
The Hague, Saturday.
A GERMAN Heinkel bomber crashed in Dutch territory near Ulestraten, Limburg, today.

One of the five German occupants was killed; the others, according to latest messages, were unhurt.
A Belgian National Defence Ministry communiqué claims that the Heinkel was shot down by Belgian fighter planes which engaged it over Belgian territory. It crashed over the Dutch border.

According to the communiqué, several French and German planes flew over Belgium territory during the morning. Belgium is protesting to Paris and Berlin.

The communiqué adds: "Over Faliscul district a fight took place at high altitude between four foreign planes whose nationality could not be distinguished."
—Reuter.

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Alarmed Neutrals Round Up and Intern German Spies

THOUGH THE BRITISH LEGATION IN BUDAPEST DENIED REPORTS THAT MANY BRITISH AND FRENCH RESIDENTS HAD LEFT THE CITY OWING TO THE DANGER OF A GERMAN MARCH THROUGH HUNGARY, GENERAL ALARM CONTINUED LAST NIGHT IN ALL THE NEUTRAL STATES.

Here is the latest news from the capitals:—
JUGOSLAVIA: Police are investigating an alleged plot to overthrow the Government coincident with the entry of German troops into Yugoslavia.

Details are said to have been disclosed among the papers of Dr. Stoyadinovich, the ex-Premier, who has been interned.
Concentration of German troops on the Yugoslav border has been followed. It is reported in Belgrade, by unusual activity on the Italian frontier.

HOLLAND: State of siege declared (the nearest stage to martial law). Houses searched and incriminating documents found.

BELGIUM: Several thousand foreigners have been interned. Four persons, including an airman and his wife have been arrested on charges of espionage and recruiting enemy agents to watch troop movements.

SWITZERLAND: Among a number of people arrested for an alleged German spy plot is Lieut.-Col. Hans Truëb, employed in the War Ministry at Berne. He is said to have confessed.

The cantonal government has suspended the course which 50 young Nazis were taking at the University. It was noted that many of them seldom attended the lectures.

SWEDEN: Police raided the headquarters of the Swedish Nazis in Stockholm and confiscated all copies of their daily paper.—A.P. and B.U.P.

CROIX DE GUERRE FOR "DOUGHBOY"
Paris, Saturday
For gallantry in action "somewhere in France," Arthur Stratton, twenty-eight, of Clinton, Massachusetts, has been awarded the Croix de Guerre with Palm, and is the first American in the war to receive a French decoration.

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"The democracies flatter the Italians, praising Rome's policy of peace. We sharply reject this flattery."
"Where, as in Italy, the citizens are soldiers too, events can be awaited calmly and they will be faced with the greatest resolution until victory is achieved."

YARD CHIEF CALLED AFTER EXPLOSION

SABOTAGE HAS BEEN RULED OUT AS THE CAUSE OF THE EXPLOSION WHICH KILLED FIVE MEN AND SLIGHTLY INJURED 15 OTHERS AT A MUNITIONS FACTORY IN NORTH LONDON YESTERDAY.

The Ministry of Supply last night stated that the court of inquiry called to investigate the cause of the accident was still sitting, and would sit to-day if necessary.

Earlier in the day, Chief Inspector Salisbury, of Scotland Yard, was called in to help the military authorities in their inquiries. He was in the district on Wednesday on a "routine visit."

It was at 9.15 a.m. yesterday that the explosion occurred in a shed where, according to the Ministry, "sensitive and explosive ingredients were mixed by hand." Three men were working there.

The shed was blown to pieces, other sheds were damaged, and the blast of the explosion shattered a shop window a mile away.

The men who lost their lives were:—
Frederick Keen, thirty-six; Thomas Galvin, forty-one; David Lewis, thirty-six; Norman Monk, twenty-eight; and Leslie Raby, twenty-eight.

IN TEARS
Sobbing relatives of men in the factory thronged the entrance anxiously inquiring for news. One woman pleaded with a policeman to be allowed to go into the factory.

"I have only got my husband," she sobbed.

Gently the policeman led her away. A man employed in the factory said that he was near a crane at the time.

"A pillar of fire shot up from one of the sheds," he said. "The force of the explosion was so great that I was deafened. I dived under the crane. A moment later the air was filled with wreckage."

A woman who lives within a mile of the factory said that she saw a thick cloud of smoke rise.

"Greenhouses close by were shattered," she said.

CEILING FELL
Another man, who had just got up from bed when the explosion occurred, said, "The whole house shook. My front door and also my neighbour's door, both of which were locked, burst open."

AIR MINEFIELDS TO BEAT PLANES

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"
MINEFIELDS IN THE AIR MAY HELP SOON TO STOP ENEMY RAIDERS.

I understand that an effective method of "sowing" the mines in the sky has now been devised.

'SOME TALK OF ALEXANDER..'
Berlin, Saturday.
All the birthday eulogies of Hitler in the German newspapers are capped by Dr. Robert Ley, leader of the German Labour Front. Writing in "Angriff" he says:—

"The Polish campaign put the Fuehrer in the ranks of the greatest soldiers of all times."

"His bold Viking thrust into Scandinavia raised him above the heads of all the great soldiers of the world."—B.U.P.

A number of new weapons and counter-weapons have been discovered in Britain since the war began.

Most of them are official secrets. But I can reveal that among the latest discoveries being developed by the Department of Scientific Research are:—
"Unsinkable" battleships;
Anti-aircraft rockets;
Bombs which can be controlled by radio to explode at a given signal;
Heavy guns that can be fired by remote control.

The time is not far distant when submarine tanks may roll out of the sea on to an enemy shore.

Every week about 500 ideas for "winning the war" are sent to Britain's scientific headquarters.

Continued from page One ALLIES READY FOR NAZI TRICK TO BRING IN ITALY

By creating an "incident" on either frontier, he might possibly induce Italy to join him, at least in the "protection" of Yugoslavia, and so leave him free to advance through Hungary to Roumania. Should any manoeuvre of this kind succeed, Italy would be automatically brought into the war against the Allies, for France has a firm agreement with Yugoslavia, and the Allies would not tolerate the invasion of that country in any form whatever.

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Call Of Kilt MADE WIFE WANT NEW SKIRT

HUSBAND: The slightest thing is enough to start my wife off thinking about clothes. She can't pass a Scots soldier in the street without thinking it's time she had a new skirt.

Woman: When he thought he was going to be called up, I was pleasantly surprised because he said, "I wish I could take you with me, darling." But when I asked him, "Why, darling?" he said, "So that you could clean my buttons."

Wife: My husband is such a fool that even his relations have begun to notice it.

Clerk of Court: You can ask the witness questions if you like. Man: What? Ask my wife questions? And does she have to answer? How wonderful!

Wife: I told him that being able to sink about a gallon was not necessarily a qualification for the Navy.

Solicitor: I suggest that you should be more tolerant with your husband. It takes all sorts to make a world, you know.

Wife: I know, but his sort only spoils it.

**West Front Lively Up
SHARP FIGHTS
BY PATROLS**

Paris, Saturday.
MORE ACTIVITY IS REPORTED TODAY ON THE WESTERN FRONT, WHERE HITLER'S CONCENTRATIONS LIE MASSED BEHIND THE LINES.

With better weather, both the German and French air forces were busy on observation and photographic missions. Two enemy planes were forced down.

Main incidents of the day were:—
1. The repulse without difficulty of an attempted German raid during last night on a small French post east of the Moselle.

2. Considerable French artillery fire on German working parties and works in the Saar area.

3. Engagements between reconnoitring patrols at two points—east of the Moselle and in Lower Alsace.

RAIDS REPULSED
There was sharp fighting, and both sides suffered losses. The patrols regained their own lines.

Tonight's French official communiqué says: "During the night several enemy raids were repulsed. At the centre of the front, stretching from the Moselle to the Rhine, the French and German artillery fire was more intense today than on the previous days."

In one air encounter the French shot down an enemy plane in French territory.—Reuter and B.U.P.

NEW "SPUDS" CHEAP
Jersey and Guernsey new potatoes will be available from the middle of May at reasonable prices.

The Ministry of Food, in agreement with Jersey and Guernsey, have approved a marketing arrangement to stabilise wholesale and retail prices.

STOP PRESS
APRIL 21, 1940

ENEMY PLANES OFF S.E. COAST
Air attack by German planes off South-East Coast last night. Heavy anti-aircraft fire heard and many searchlights seen. Our machines took off and proceeded seawards.

Many people rushed from houses to sea front to watch what one described as great fireworks display. No air-raid warning given, whole action being well out to sea.

Buildings at another South-East Coast town were shaken by the firing, which was the heaviest experienced in area since war.

HUNDREDS DRIVEN FROM HOME BY RIVER FLOODS

Cincinnati, Saturday.
HUNDREDS of people are being driven from their homes as the swollen waters of the Ohio River rise menacingly.

Large lowland areas are already flooded.

Between Pittsburgh (Pennsylvania) and Louisville (Kentucky) the river level is rising by nearly five inches an hour.—Reuter.

The People

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 1940.

Strictly BRITISH

This is an interesting fact—you can obtain almost any drink you want in any country of the world. But you can't get a pint of ale or bitter outside Britain, as you can in the British inn. Like the English village green, or the inimitable humour of the cockney—these things are for ever England.

And, in these days of war and strain, it is a good thing that we have beer on our side. Beer is playing a great part in keeping us strong and cheerful.

As Professor Chapman justly stated in his evidence before the Royal Commission on Licensing:—

"It may be said that a quart of good average beer contains nearly as much energy value as half a pound of bread, two-thirds of a pound of beef, and over one pound of potatoes."

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